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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 10/19/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/24-10/18/51	REPORT MADE BY RUSSELL S. GARNER
TITLE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA District No. 2 New York Division			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="text-align: center;"><u>QUARTERLY PERIOD - JULY 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1951</u></p> <p>GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY and SIMON W. GERSON now nominal heads of District No. 2. District No. 2 contemplates moving headquarters in NYC. Activities of District No. 2 materially curtailed since adverse Smith Act decision of U.S. Supreme Court on 6/4/51. Membership of District No. 2 estimated to be approximately 15,500 as of 6/30/51. Unpublicized new fund drive launched by CP with NY State quota of \$500,000.00. CP leaders subjected to loyalty checks. CP surprised and confused by arrests of 17 NY Communist leaders on 6/20/51 and expect additional arrests. As a result, many NY State CP leaders have gone underground. Instructions to CP members to infiltrate mass organizations continuing in effect. Korean cease-fire negotiations demanded by District No. 2. Support of ALP nominees in NYC elections urged by CP. NY State CP drops appeal of FEINBERG law. Nomination of former U.S. Attorney IRVING H. SAYPOL to N.Y. Supreme Court denounced by District No. 2. Trade union committees formed to defend LOUIS</p>			
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WEINSTOCK and AL LANNON. FERDINAND C. SMITH, former Executive Secretary of Harlem Trade Union Council, deported as alien Communist. Veterans for Peace opposes Japanese Peace Treaty. Campaigns opened in Harlem to repeal Smith Act and to free BENJAMIN J. DAVIS. Conviction protested of [REDACTED] NY State Labor Youth League Administrative Secretary for violation of Selective Service Act and committee established to defend him. One thousand mothers and children in peace groups visited UN in NYC on 7/24/51 and presented petition for peace in Korea. Sojourn for Truth and Justice by delegation of negro women took place in Washington, D.C. 9/30 and 10/1/51. Corruption of television in U.S. scored. Film "Oliver Twist" held by "Daily Worker" to be viciously anti-Semitic and defamatory of Jews. Club Obrero Espanol in NYC, operated and controlled by Puerto Rican Communists since 1937, closed for financial reasons. Jefferson School of Social Science attendance down from year ago.

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CP, USA
District No. 2
New York Division
NY file 100-26603
Period: July 1 - September 30, 1951

MEMBERSHIP

(Bureau file 100-3-68)
(New York file 100-80638)

Membership of District No. 2

The best estimate of the membership of the Communist Party in District No. 2, which comprises New York State, was approximately 15,500 as of June 30, 1951.

Estimated membership in the New York Division was about 14,850 on the same date.

Verification of Membership

Confidential Informant T-18, of known reliability, reported that a Communist Party meeting was held in August, 1951 at the home of a Communist Party member in Brooklyn, New York, and that among those present was [redacted] a Kings County (Brooklyn) Communist Party official.

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[redacted] stated that in view of the hazardous position of the Communist Party, it was necessary to take precautions that the membership was trustworthy and loyal. Accordingly it was decided that a written verification be made of party leadership. This verification would be similar to the recent verification made orally. He also stated that this meeting was to be held in the strictest confidence, and was not to be mentioned to the rank and file party member.

A two page legal size questionnaire with some fifty or sixty questions mimeographed thereon was passed to the members present. The questionnaire was split into three parts: the first concerned party background, the second concerned military service, and the third related to personal life.

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Under the first part questions were asked regarding the comrade's name, birth data, residence, nationality and economic background of parents, own economic background, employment, trade, wages, former employments, religion, education, mass organizations; when the comrade joined the Communist Party; who recruited the comrade; places where the comrade worked five years prior to entrance into the Communist Party; economic or political struggles before entering the party; and economic and political struggles since entering the party; previous political affiliations; other comrades who knew the writer before joining the party; what comrades know the writer longest; close friends and acquaintances of the comrade both in the party and outside the party; Communist Party schools attended; Communist Party positions held; whether the comrade has ever been a full time functionary; has he ever disagreed with the Communist Party; and how; does he know anyone who is "sour" on the party; has he associated with anyone who was expelled from the party or who is an enemy of the party, or who has caused factional disputes; has he any relatives employed by the city, state or federal government; has he ever been investigated.

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Under the final section questions were asked regarding military status; whether living with spouse; any children of the marriage; state of health; any serious illnesses; any psychiatric treatment; names and occupations of all brothers and sisters; indulgence in gambling, drinking or playing cards.

After the form was completed and handed in to [redacted] [redacted] separate pieces of paper were distributed to each person present. Each of the following questions were answered on separate pieces of paper. The first question was whether the comrade was suspicious of anyone in the party or anyone close to the party. If there were any suspicions, the member was

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asked to write down the name of the person suspected and the reasons for such suspicion.

The second question was whether the party comrade had ever been investigated.

The next question was whether the party comrade had ever taken a civil service examination or ever held a civil service position.

The last question was whether the comrade had ever used narcotics.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

CP, USA
District No. 2
New York Division
NY file 100-26603
Period: July 1 - September 30, 1951

MEMBERSHIP

(Bureau file 100-3-68)
(New York file 100-80638)

Membership of District No. 2 was estimated in the following manner:

Estimated membership in the Buffalo Division, as of June 30, 1951, was given as 364, according to Confidential Informants T-37, T-38, T-39 and T-40, of known reliability.

It was estimated, according to Confidential Informant T-41, of known reliability, that there were 276 members in the Albany Division as of June 30, 1951.

As previously reported, Confidential Informant T-15, of known reliability, made available on March 30, 1951 a document containing figures which were apparently membership statistics for all Communist Party districts. It is believed that these figures were entirely accurate and appear to have been compiled some time prior to March 30, 1951.

The National membership in this document totaled 37,761 with the membership of District No. 2 listed as 17,926. Thus, the membership of District No. 2 was 17,926, or 47.475% of the total National membership, whereas membership of the districts outside District No. 2 was 19,835, or 52.525% of the total National membership.

Membership statistics contained in the quarterly reports of all offices, with the exception of New York,

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ADMINISTRATIVE (CONT'D)

Buffalo and Albany, for the period April 1, 1951 through June 30, 1951 were found to total 17,153. In the belief that the same ratio (47.475% and 52.525%) of membership would prevail on June 30, 1951 as formerly, it was computed that there were 15,503 members in District No. 2.

Since, as indicated hereinbefore, there were 640 members listed in the Buffalo and Albany Divisions, this figure, subtracted from the total of 15,503 New York State membership, gives a total of 14,863 members in the New York Division.

Confidential Informants T-6, T-16 and T-42, of known reliability, have advised that all districts of the Communist Party, including District No. 2, have lost heavily in membership in recent months and that the above figure of 15,503 appears to be a reasonably accurate estimate.

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INFORMANTS

T-1 [redacted] who furnished the information to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY. b7D

T-2 Sec. Inft. NY 516,
7/20/51 to [redacted]
7/26/51 to SA FRED R. B. MacKENZIE
8/1/51 to [redacted]
8/13/51 to SE ROBERT E. BRODERICK.

T-3 Sec. Inft. NY 520 to [redacted]
[redacted] b6
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T-4 CS NYC 419 to SA JOHN E. KEARY.

T-5 Sec. Inft. NY 515,
7/10/51 to SA FRED R. B. MacKENZIE
7/16/51 to SE [redacted]
7/17/51 to SE [redacted]
8/2/51 to SE [redacted]
8/20/51 to SE [redacted]
9/7/51 to SE [redacted]

T-6 [redacted] to SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY.

T-7 [redacted] to SA FRANK J. SMITH.

T-8 [redacted] to SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY. b7D

T-9 [redacted] to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY.

T-10 [redacted] to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY.

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ADMINISTRATIVE (CONT'D)

T-20 [redacted] to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY.

T-21 CS NYC 301 to SA RICHARD H. BLASSER and SE [redacted]

T-22 [redacted] to SA [redacted]
[redacted]

T-23 [redacted] to SA VICTOR A. LEMAITRE. b7D

T-24 [redacted] to SA [redacted]
[redacted]

T-25 CS NYC 425, to SA [redacted]

T-26 [redacted]
[redacted] Kansas City, Missouri.
Her identity should be kept confidential.

T-27 Philadelphia Sec. Inft. PH-156.

T-28 Confidential Sources of the Philadelphia Office, not otherwise identified.

T-29 [redacted]

T-30 [redacted]

T-31 Buffalo Sec. Inft. BC-140.

T-32 [redacted] to SA(A) JOHN H. KLEIN-
KAUF,

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T-33

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Bronx, New York,
who furnished information to
SA(A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF. His
identity should be kept confidential

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Brooklyn, New York,
who furnished information to SA(A)
JOHN H. KLEINKAUF. His identity
should be kept confidential.

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[REDACTED]

Long Island, New York, who furnished
information to SA(A) JOHN H.
KLEINKAUF. His identity should be
kept confidential.

T-36

Confidential mail box maintained
by the New York Office, the contents
of which were made available to
SA JOHN T. MURPHY on 7/6/51 and
8/31/51 and SA JOSEPH V. WATERS on
9/10/51.

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T-42 [redacted] to SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY
and SA JOHN W. DOOLEY.

T-43 SAC Letter #91, Series 1951,
dated September 8, 1951, Section H.

T-44 [redacted]

T-45 [redacted]

T-46 [redacted]

T-47 [redacted] to SA JOHN W.
DOOLEY.

T-48 [redacted]

[redacted] New York City,
who furnished information to SA
THORNTON M. WOOD, [redacted]

[redacted]
His identity should be kept confidential.

T-49 [redacted]

T-50 [redacted]

T-51 Philadelphia Sec. Inft. PH-185.

T-52 [redacted]

T-53 [redacted]

T-54 [redacted]

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At New York, New York

Will follow and report pertinent activities of District No. 2, Communist Party, USA for the quarterly period beginning October 1, 1951 and ending December 31, 1951.

REFERENCE Report of SA RUSSELL S. GARNER, New York, 9/20/51.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p><i>Re Membership</i> QUARTERLY PERIOD <u>JULY 1</u> <u>THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1951</u></p> <p>BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, EUGENE DENNIS, JOHN GATES, IRVING POTASH, JACK STACHEL, JOHN WILLIAMSON, and CARL WINTER surrendered on 7/2/51 in Federal Court, NYC, to begin their 5 year prison sentences for conviction under Smith Act. GUS HALL, ROBERT THOMPSON, HENRY WINSTON and GILBERT GREEN failed to appear on that date, however, and are now fugitives. ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN and PETTIS PERRY now nominal heads of CP, USA. National CP Headquarters moved in late August, 1951 from 35 E. 12 St., NYC to 29 W. 125 St., NYC. Activities of CP, USA materially curtailed since adverse Smith Act decision of U.S. Supreme Court on 6/4/51. Main danger facing CP, USA at present acknowledged to be weakening of its political work and its mass influence. National CP membership estimated to be approximately 32,650 as of 6/30/51. Self-Defense Committee of 17 Victims of Smith Act formed to organize, conduct and finance their defense. Unpublicized new fund drive launched by CP, USA on 8/25/51 with only CP members and sympathizers being asked for donations. CP leaders subjected to loyalty checks. CP, USA surprised and confused by arrest</p>			
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of 17 N.Y. Communist leaders on 6/20/51 and expect additional arrests. As result, many national CP leaders have gone underground. Instructions to CP members to infiltrate mass organizations continue in effect. Dozen "Morning Freiheit" employees alleged to have been discharged recently for bourgeois nationalism. In international relations, CP,USA intensified fight for peace; pushed cease-fire negotiations in Korea; termed Japanese Peace Treaty "war" treaty; urged 5-power peace pact and denounced U.S. agreement with Spain. Smith Act arrests in Hawaii condemned by CP,USA. Need for labor unity in 1952 National elections cited by CP,USA. CP,USA calls for united front against price profiteers. CP,USA maintains Smith Act decision by U.S. Supreme Court is designed to outlaw party and abrogate Bill of Rights. Trade Union Committees established to defend LOUIS WEINSTOCK and AL LANNON, who were among 17 arrested NY Communist leaders. Unaffiliated left wing unions reportedly bidding for support of JOHN L. LEWIS. Veterans of Abraham Lincoln Brigade appeals for aid to [redacted] who was arrested recently.

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National Negro Labor Council Convention, scheduled for 10/27,28/51, supported by CP, USA. Third World Festival of Youth and Students for Peace, meeting in Berlin, 8/5-19/51, attended by 60 Americans. One thousand mothers and children in peace groups which visited UN in NYC, 7/24/51, and presented petition for peace in Korea. Sojourn for Truth and Justice by delegation of negro women took place in Washington, D.C. 9/30 and 10/1/51. Film "Oliver Twist" scored by "Daily Worker" as anti-Semitic and defamatory of Jews. Marxism held not to be anti-clerical doctrine or movement but ally of Christian Humanism in defense of humanity. New Century Publishers has initiated cash policy on sale of "Political Affairs" and "Masses and Mainstream" and has reduced credit basis from 60 to 30 days. Attendance of Jefferson School of Social Science less than year ago.

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NY file 100-4931

Period: July 1 - September 30, 1951

MEMBERSHIP

(Bureau file 100-3-68)
(New York file 100-80638)

National Communist Party Membership

The best estimate of the National membership of the Communist Party was approximately 32, 650 as of June 30, 1951.

Verification of Membership

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Confidential Informants T-7, T-21 and T-42, of known reliability, have advised that the Communist Party has lost heavily in its membership in recent months and that the above figure of 32,656 appears to be a reasonably accurate estimate.

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INFORMANTS

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[redacted]
[redacted] New York City, who
furnished the information to
SA [redacted] and whose
identity should be kept confi-
dential.

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[redacted] to SA JOHN W.
DOOLEY.

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Sec. Inft. NY 516,
7/18/51 to SE [redacted]
8/14/51 to SE [redacted]
8/16/51 to SE [redacted]
8/30/51 to SA JONNIE W. DYER

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Sec. Inft. NY 520 to [redacted]
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Sec. Inft. NY 661 [redacted]
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[redacted] to SA EDWARD
W. BUCKLEY. b7D

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San Francisco Sec. Inft. SF-613

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Sec. Inft. NY 515, to [redacted]
[redacted]

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[redacted] to SA FRANK
J. SMITH.

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[redacted] to SA EDWARD
W. BUCKLEY.

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T-12 [redacted] to SA JOHN
W. DOOLEY.

T-13 [redacted] to SA JOHN
W..DOOLEY:

T-14 [redacted] to SA(A) JOHN
H. KLEINKAUF.

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T-15 Confidential Source NYC 426,
6/25/51 to SA [redacted]
and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.
7/3/51 to SA [redacted]
and SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS.
7/6/51 to SA [redacted]
and SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS.
7/17/51 to SA [redacted]
and SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS.
7/30/51 to SA [redacted]
and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.
7/31/51 to SA [redacted]
and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.
8/17/51 to SA [redacted]
and SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS.
8/20/51 to SA [redacted]
and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.
9/4/51 to SA [redacted]
and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.
9/17/51 to SA [redacted]
and SA STEPHEN W. JENNINGS.
9/18/51 to SA [redacted]
and SE ALBERT E. FALLER,

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T-16 [redacted]
[redacted]

T-17 [redacted]
[redacted] New York City, whose
identity should be kept confiden-
tial. He furnished information
to SA JAMES J. MCCARTHY.

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T-20	[redacted] to SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY.	
T-21	[redacted] to SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY.	b7D
T-22	[redacted] to SA(A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF.	
T-23	CS NYC 301. to SA RICHARD H. BLASSER and SE [redacted]	b6 b7C
T-24	[redacted] to SA(A) JOHN K. KLEINKAUF.	b7D
T-25	Philadelphia Sec. Inft. PH-156.	
T-26	Confidential Sources of the Philadelphia office, not otherwise identified.	
T-27	[redacted] [redacted] New York City, who furnished the information to SA RUSSELL S. GARNER. His identity should be kept confidential.	
T-28	[redacted]	b6 b7C b7D
T-29	[redacted]	

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[REDACTED] New York City. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

His identity should be kept confidential.

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Sec. Inft. NY 425, to SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Kansas City, Missouri.
Her identity should be kept confidential.

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[REDACTED] New York City,
who furnished information to SA(4)
JOHN H. KLEINKAUF.

T-37

Buffalo Sec. Inft. BC-140.

T-38

[REDACTED] to SA JOHN W.
DOOLEY.

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T-39

[REDACTED] to SA JOHN J. MC KENNA.

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T-40 Chicago Sec. Inft. CGO-5425.

T-41 Confidential mail box maintained by New York Office, contents of which were made available on 7/6/51 and 8/3/51 to SA JOHN T. MURPHY, and on 9/10/51 to SA JOSEPH V. WATERS.

T-42 [redacted] to SAS EDWARD W. BUCKLEY and JOHN W. DOOLEY. b7D

T-43 [redacted] to SA GEORGE A. LANKES.

T-44 [redacted] to SA GEORGE A. LANKES.

T-45 [redacted]

T-46 [redacted]

T-47 [redacted] to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY.

T-48 [redacted] New York City, who furnished information to SA THORNTON M. WOOD. [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted]

His identity should be kept confidential.

T-49 [redacted] b7D

T-50 [redacted]

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T-51	Philadelphia Sec. Inft. PH-185.
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T-56	SAC Letter #91, Series 1951, dated September 8, 1951, Section H.
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The following sections of this report were prepared by the Special Agents indicated:

I.	ORGANIZATION	SA RUSSELL S. GARNER
II.	MEMBERSHIP	SA RUSSELL S. GARNER
III.	FUNDS	SA(A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF
IV.	SECURITY MEASURES	SA ROBERT C. BURNS
V.	UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS	SA ROBERT C. BURNS
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XIII.	VETERANS' MATTERS	SA RUSSELL S. GARNER
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XV.	YOUTH MATTERS	SA JOSEPH V. WATERS
XVI.	WOMEN MATTERS	SA RUSSELL S. GARNER
XVII.	CULTURAL ACTIVITIES	SA JOSEPH V. WATERS
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	COMMISSION	SA NICHOLAS J. PURCHIA
XVIV.	RELIGION	SA RUSSELL S. GARNER
XX.	PAMPHLETS AND PUBLI-	
	CATIONS	SA JOHN T. MURPHY
XXI.	EDUCATION	SA RUSSELL S. GARNER.

Copies of this report have been designated for all divisions for informational purposes, in accordance with specific Bureau instructions.

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will follow and report pertinent activities of the Communist Party, USA for the quarterly period beginning October 1, 1951 and ending December 31, 1951.

REFERENCE:

Report of SA RUSSELL S. GARNER, New York, 9/20/51.

New York 7, New York

MEMO:

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

10-23-51

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.
MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY-C

On 10/19/51, Confidential Source NYC 426 made available to the New York Office evidence concerning the above captioned subject, obtained from 35 E. 12th Street, New York, N. Y. This building is occupied by the following organizations, which are all under the control of the Communist Party: Freedom of the Press, Inc. ("Worker" and "Daily Worker"); Morning Freiheit Association ("Morning Freiheit" and "Jewish Life"); Workers' Bookshop; Wholesale Book Corporation; F & D Printing Company; 12th - 13th Realty Corporation; Communist Party - U.S.A.; Communist Party - N. Y. State; Communist Party - N. Y. County.

It will be noted that each exhibit bears the date received and the initials of S.A. and S.E. A.E.FALLER who can testify as to the receipt of the exhibit.

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Strict care must be exercised so that the existence of this important source of evidence will not become known to any outside agency.

For original evidence see attached in File # .

Description of exhibit: *Apparently membership statistics of NY state CP for about Dec, 1941.*

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EDWARD SCHEIDT
Special Agent in Charge

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PARTY ORG.

Bill

Sep. 1940.....18,624

Nov. 1941..... 4,508-recruit.

TOTAL..... 23,132

Total.....22,176.. (expulsions - transfers, etc)

Reg..... 19,000

Lost.... 2, 800

CIO.....6,085

AFL..... 3 , 372

Ind..... 1,378
10,835

1,365 - 7.35% - basic industry
5,895 light
2,321 housewives
8,000 office and professional
63 former ?

12,000 native born
13,363 Jewish
393 Irish
615 Italian
310 German
675 Negro
112 Egnlish

Fluctuations

Lost 3,000 in the year
Bulk of these new recruits
New members calsses mandatory and
No assignments until completion
Regular new members conferences

Composition

40% industrial.....alarming

157 recruits in Jan. and again only 40% industrial workers

1. Lack concentration on industrial workers by street branches
2. Insufficeint Trade Union work by sections
3. Trade Union absorbed in T.U. problems and leadership tho
Party conscious not sufficient political growth in Unions (recruiting)
 1. Merge the two industrial sections
 2. Trade coordination - with responsibility of trade comrades all over city
 3. Involve T.U. in committee
 4. Quotas for T.U. comrades
 5. classes for T.U. comrades

Negro

1. Community with Negro population - do not subordinate other tasks to

Negro work

2. Sections with small Negro population - not alert enough on Negro problems

Civilian Defense

50% involved - primarily in protective
no time for mobilization of population
non-protective dominated by blue-bloods

Independent Role - Sinne Dec. 7th

- a. fairly good
- b. mobilize in support as well as criticize
- c. explain and deepen understanding
- d. lesson from Spain - Party rallyin people behind govt.
discussion - explain government policy - ~~xxxx~~
more meetings and discussions

Press Drive -

S.W. - objective.....65,000

Began..... 34,000

1st week..... 38,000

2nd "..... 40,000

3rd "... .. 42,000

subs - objective

1 week - 4, 169 subs

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Up State

S.W. started.....3,000

1st week 3,000

2nd " 3,000

3rd " 3,700

D. W. - objective - 20,000

started 16,500

No Progress!

Work of Section Committees

1. Show initiative approach to their own work
2. Work day to day waiting for directives
3. little initiative - uninitiative of work of S.O.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NEW YORK, NY
NOVEMBER 22, 1951

Transmit the following Teletype message to: BUREAU URGENT

CPUSA MEMBERSHIP, IS-C. DAYLET. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] OF KNOWN RELIABILITY, HAS ADVISED THAT CP IS BEGINNING REGISTRATION OF ITS MEMBERS IN NEAR FUTURE. INFORMANT STATES THAT AMONG QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED EACH MEMBER ARE THE FOLLOWING: QUOTE DO YOU OR DOES ANYONE IN YOUR FAMILY WORK FOR FBI, POLICE, OR ANY GOVERNMENT INVESTIGATING AGENCY? UNQUOTE. ALSO QUOTE DO YOU EVER TO GO A PSYCHIATRIST? UNQUOTE. OTHER QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED ARE, AGE OF MEMBER AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT. INFORMANT STATES THAT QUESTION WITH RESPECT TO CONSULTING PSYCHIATRIST IS BASED ON BELIEF OF PARTY THAT FBI IS WORKING CLOSELY WITH MANY PSYCHIATRISTS AND OBTAINING INFO ABOUT PARTY BUSINESS THROUGH THEM.

SCHEIDT

CC: NY 100-81338
NY 66-6376

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK
NOVEMBER 21, 1951

BUREAU - URGENT

CP, USA, INTERNAL SECURITY DASH C. DAYLET. ON NOVEMBER TWENTY
LAST ADVISED THAT CP MEMBERS ARE PRESENTLY
BEING REGISTERED AND CP DESIRES THAT ALL MEMBERS BE REGISTERED.
WHEN REGISTERED A CP MEMBER IS GIVEN A NUMBER UNDER A MASTER
NUMBER ON A SHEET WHICH HAS ROOM FOR ABOUT TEN NAMES AND
ACCORDING TO INFORMANT NAME OF REGISTREE WILL APPARENTLY BE
KNOWN ONLY TO CLUB ORGANIZOR. INFO CONCERNING SEX, NATIONALITY
ORIGIN, LENGTH OF TIME IN CP, AGE, DESCRIPTION AND UNION OR
INDUSTRIAL AFFILIATION TO BE SHOWN ON REGISTRATION.

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SCHEIDT

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November 26, 1951

Director, FBI (100-3)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

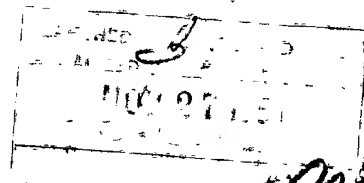
Re report of Special Agent Russell S. Garner, dated October 19, 1951.

It is noted that on page 27 of this report there is set out an estimate of the national membership of the Communist Party as of June 30, 1951. In the future it is requested that an estimate not be set out of the national membership of the Party inasmuch as this estimate, in most instances, will be at variance with the figures compiled by the Bureau after the receipt of information concerning membership from all field divisions. For example, the estimate set out in instant report was 32,650. The estimate of membership based on figures furnished by all field divisions was 35,310 for the same period. The deletion of this information from future national reports on the Party will eliminate the possibility of the Bureau furnishing conflicting figures to other agencies.

It is noted that a considerable amount of the data which was used in instant report was obtained from Party publications such as the "Daily Worker" and "Political Affairs." It is believed that a considerable part of this information could have been further condensed without materially affecting its value. In the future every attempt should be made to utilize information obtained from informants or by active investigation in preference to data obtained from Party publications.

The Bureau is aware of the magnitude of the task involved in preparing the national reports and it is not intended that this be taken as criticism of a well-prepared report. However, as indicated above, preference should be given to the use of original data obtained from informants and by active investigation. When it is necessary, in order to set out a complete picture of the Communist Party's activities, to utilize information from Party publications, where possible the information should be condensed.

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New York 7, New York

November 28, 1951

MEMORANDUM:

RE: CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On 11/20/51 [] orally advised that in a conference with [] Org. Sec. of the Ridgewood - Maspeth CP Section of the Queens County CP, [] stated that white collar workers must be active in industrial concentration work. [] cited as an example the good work the dentists did on the waterfront in the recent longshoremen strike in New York City. Informant advised [] did not elaborate on the participation of the dentists in the strike. However, it was stated the white collar workers are educated and can best direct the activities of those workers in industry. [] advised the Informant that all other Party work is secondary in comparison to industrial concentration. [] advised these instructions were received from [] Org. Sec. of Queens County CP. In addition the Informant advised [] and the Informant are to reactivate [] Inspector at the Sperry Gyroscope Plant, who has been inactive in the Party for about a year. b6 b7C b7D

Informant also advised the Party is mainly concerned with registration of its members at this time. It was stated the Party is contacting all its members and even those who have been inactive to register them. Informant added the following information is requested from those being registered:

Sex, National Origin, Length of time in Party, Age, Description, Local Union or Industry.

[] advised the name of the member being registered will not appear but a number such as 1 etc will appear beside the individuals name on a sheet containing a control number. Apparently the identity of the member will be known only by the club Organizer who will turn the information over to the Membership Director. b7D

100-29590

cc: 100- 6512 (P&C)
100- 80083 (ILA)

100- 65073

100- 68478

100- 89839

100- 80638 (CP USA-Membership)

100- 26603 (Maspeth CP Club)

CLH:8

RICHARD H. ELASER
SPECIAL AGENT

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Director, FBI (100-3)

November 30, 1951

SAC, New York

COMMUNIST-PARTY, USA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ReBulet 11/26/51, requesting that in the future an estimate not be set out of the national membership of the COMMUNIST PARTY, USA in the quarterly reports submitted by the New York Office.

In the past this office has included in its quarterly reports the latest best estimates of membership figures in line with SAC letters #75, Series 45, dated 7/26/49, and #63, Series 50, dated 9/5/50, and with Bulet dated 2/5/51, captioned, "COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - MEMBERSHIP; INTERNAL SECURITY - C".

In accordance, however, with relet, no such estimate will appear in future national reports.

Since New York is the office of origin in this case, it is believed that it would be to its advantage if the Bureau would make available to this office each quarter the Bureau's compilation of membership figures for each district based on information received from all divisions. In this way, New York will always be cognizant of current membership figures in possession of the Bureau. Moreover, such information will assist New York in making its quarterly estimates of the New York State membership.

cc NY 100-80638 (COMMUNIST PARTY - MEMBERSHIP)

RSG:MTH
100-4931

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BUREAU

FBI, SAN FRANCISCO

12/6/51

DIRECTOR, FBI

U R G E N T

CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP, IS DASH C, DAYLET. [REDACTED] THIS DATE b7D
ADVISED THAT CP PRESENTLY IS ENGAGED IN REGISTRATION OF ITS MEMBERSHIP WHICH
REGISTRATION MUST BE CONCLUDED BY JANUARY ONE, FIFTYTWO. ONLY APPROVED
REGISTRATION SHEETS WILL BE USED AND THESE SHEETS MUST BE KEPT IN A SECURE PLACE AND
NOT CARRIED AROUND. REGISTRATION SHEETS MUST BE TURNED IN BY DECEMBER FIFTEEN
WHETHER COMPLETED OR NOT AND NEW SHEETS WILL BE ISSUED ON THAT DATE IF NECESSARY
TO CONCLUDE THE REGISTRATION. SUBSECTION ORGANIZERS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO
PERSONALLY CONDUCT REGISTRATIONS, BUT IN LARGE/SECTIONS THE ORGANIZER MAY
SELECT ONE OR TWO ABSOLUTELY RELIABLE MEMBERS TO ASSIST. REGISTRATION SHEETS
REQUEST THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION. ONE, INITIALS OF MEMBER. TWO, MONTHLY
DUES. THREE, LAST DATE OF PAYMENT OF DUES. FOUR, AGE PAREN RECORDED WITHIN
FIVE YEAR BRACKETS BEGINNING WITH BRACKET EIGHTEEN THROUGH TWENTYTHREE YEARS
PAREN. FIVE, INDUSTRIAL COMPOSITION. SIX, RACE PAREN NEGRO OR WHITE PAREN.
SEVEN, SEX. EIGHT, TIME IN PARTY PAREN TO BE RECORDED WITHIN THREE YEAR BRACKET
PAREN. NINE, TRADE UNION AND OR OTHER MASS AFFILIATIONS. TEN, IS MEMBER
ATTACHED TO A CLUB. ELEVEN, COMMENTS. IN REGARD TO INITIALS OF MEMBERS,
AFL SECTION IN SAN FRANCISCO WILL USE INITIAL FOLLOWING LAST NAME OF MEMBER,
FOR EXAMPLE, JOHN DOE WILL BE RECORDED AS JOHN E., AND RICHARD ROE WILL BE
RECORDED AS RICHARD S.

WHK:JMT
100-26239

CC: Los Angeles, San Diego, Honolulu, New York (ALL AIR MAIL)
100-25687 (CP, Security Measures); 100-34166 (Daylet)

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SAC, New York (100-58707)

December 6, 1951

SAC, Birmingham (100-1225)

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INTERNAL SECURITY - C.
SMITH ACT, 1940.

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Rerep of SA [REDACTED] 11/30/51, Birmingham, re subject.

There is enclosed herewith for information purposes of the New York Office copies of a "tabulation sheet" which was located in the former residence of the subject at Birmingham, Alabama during that period of time when he was considered to be the Organizational Secretary of District 27, Communist Party - USA. The tabulation sheets appear to pertain to the Communist Party and indicate that in 1948 there were 324 Communist Party members registered and in 1950 there were 315 Communist Party members registered.

Subject of this case is currently residing in the Los Angeles Division and no further action is being taken by the Birmingham Office.

Enclosure

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See exhibit #1894

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There is listed below the best estimate of the Communist Party membership as furnished by all field districts. It is noted that the current figure of 31,663 reflects a decrease of 3708 from the June 30, 1961, figure of 35,371.

The following figures are set out according to districts, states, territories and field divisions:

DISTRICTS

	<u>Total</u>	<u>States included in Districts:</u>	
District 1	916	Maine	25
		N. Hampshire	58
		Massachusetts	750
		Vermont	26
		Rhode Island	57
District 2	15,450	New York	15,450
District 3	1,063	Dist. Pa.	1,061
		Delaware	22
District 4	310	Maryland	200
		Dist. of Col.	60

* It is noted that some states are covered by more than one of districts, therefore, a total compilation for the individual states is also being included in this memorandum.

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MINUTES (cont.)

	<u>Total</u>	<u>States Included in Districts</u>	
District 5	400	West Va.	400
District 6	1,571	Ohio	1,571
		Pa.	71
		Four panhandle counties in W. Va.	10
District 7	430	Michigan	430
District 8	1,700	Illinois	1,700
		Indiana (Lake Co.)	200
District 9	721	Wisc.	701
		S. Dakota	20
		N. Dakota	30
District 10	375	Indiana	375
District 11	125	Oregon	125
District 12	375	Washington	330
		Alaska	45
District 13	4,460	California	4,305
		Arizona	125
		Canada	10
District 14	1,070	N. Jersey	1,070
District 15	300	Connecticut	300
District 16	400	Wisconsin	400
District 17	80	Colorado	75
		S. Mexico	25
		Hong Kong	5
District 21	300	Missouri	300
District 22	60	West Va.	60
District 23	100	Texas	100
District 24	50	Louisiana	50
District 25	125	Florida	125

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MISSISSIPPI (cont.)

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Planes included in districts</u>	
District 26	53	Virginia	22
District 27	112	Alabama	50
		Mississippi	1
		Tennessee	61
District 28	158	Oklahoma	65
		Arkansas	93
District 29	110	N. Carolina	52
		S. Carolina	58
District 30	162	Montana	55
		Idaho	107
District 31	51	Georgia	51
District 32	62	Nebraska	55
		Iowa	55
		Kansas	52
District 33	67	Utah	67

RESIDUALS

Alaska	35	35
Hawaii	35	35
Puerto Rico	33	33
<u>Total</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>103</u>

MEMBERSHIP IN STATES & TERRITORIES

Alabama	50	Idaho	67	Minnesota	901
Arizona	135	Illinois	1,302	Mississippi	1
Arkansas	50	Indiana	475	Missouri	320
California	4,365	Iowa	55	Montana	55
Colorado	75	Kansas	52	Nebraska	55
Connecticut	550	Kentucky	71	Nebraska	55
Delaware	22	Louisiana	22	N. Carolina	52
District		Maine	55	New Jersey	1,075
of Columbia	50	Maryland	250	New Mexico	55
Florida	135	Mass.	750	New York	14,000
Georgia	51	Michigan	450	S. Carolina	58

which figure is also computed in District 13.

MEMBERSHIP IN STATES & TERRITORIES (cont.)

N. Dakota	53	C. Dakota	33	E. Virginia	80
Ohio	1,532	Tennessee	21	Missouri	400
Oklahoma	83	Texas	155	Wyoming	3
Oregon	155	Utah	87	Alaska	25
Penna.	1,641	Vermont	25	Idaho	50
Rhode Island	54	Virginia	53	Puerto Rico	50
S. Carolina	15	Washington	353		
				Total	91,000

MEMBERSHIP IN FIELD DIVISIONS

Albany	500	Austin	100	Omaha	50
Albuquerque	22	Indianapolis	475	Philadelphia	1,641
Anchorage	25	Kansas City	43	Phoenix	153
Atlanta	55	Knoxville	0	Pittsburgh	400
Baltimore	270	Little Rock	53	Portland	123
Birmingham	91	Los Angeles	2,723	Richmond	29
Boston	680	Louisville	71	St. Louis	356
Buffalo	304	Memphis	13	Salt Lake City	27
Butte	142	Miami	135	San Antonio	23
Charlotte	139	Milwaukee	400	San Diego	117
Chicago	1,374	Minneapolis	701	San Francisco	1,450
Cincinnati	193	Mobile	5	San Juan	50
Cleveland	1,095	Newark	1,070	Savannah	10
Dallas	53	New Haven	50	Seattle	250
Denver	74	New Orleans	53	Springfield	223
Detroit	453	New York	14,350	Washington, D. C.	50
El Paso	4	Portland	34		
Honolulu, T.H.	50	Oklahoma City	83		
				Total	91,000

MEMBERSHIP IN STATES & TERRITORIES (cont.)

N. Dakota	33	S. Dakota	30	N. Virginia	88
Ohio	1,390	Tennessee	21	Wisconsin	420
Oklahoma	83	Texas	198	Wyoming	2
Oregon	125	Utah	67	Alaska	25
Penn.	1,441	Vermont	25	Hawaii	36
Rhode Island	54	Virginia	53	Puerto Rico	66
S. Carolina	15	Washington	330		
				Total	21,395

MEMBERSHIP IN FIELD DIVISIONS

Albany	369	Houston	100	Casco	50
Albuquerque	32	Indianapolis	675	Philadelphia	1,441
Anchorage	25	Kansas City	43	Phoenix	138
Atlanta	35	Knoxville	0	Pittsburgh	490
Baltimore	372	Little Rock	20	Portland	125
Birmingham	91	Los Angeles	2,722	Richmond	19
Boston	690	Louisville	71	St. Louis	326
Buffalo	364	Memphis	32	Salt Lake City	32
Butte	142	Miami	135	San Antonio	39
Charlotte	100	Milwaukee	420	San Diego	117
Chicago	1,374	Minneapolis	721	San Francisco	1,450
Cincinnati	195	Mobile	5	San Juan	96
Cleveland	1,093	Newark	1,070	Savannah	26
Dallas	53	New Haven	360	Seattle	350
Denver	74	New Orleans	50	Springfield	222
Detroit	450	New York	14,350	Washington, D.C.	63
El Paso	4	Norfolk	34		
Honolulu, T.H.	38	Oklahoma City	82		
				Total	31,070

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SAC, New York (100-4931)

December 10, 1951

Director, FBI (100-3)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reurlet dated November 30, 1951, by which you requested to be advised of the Bureau's compilation of Party membership figures based on information received from all divisions. For your information there is enclosed herewith a copy of Party membership figures according to districts, states, and field divisions as of September 30, 1951. In the future a copy of these figures will be made available to your office when they are compiled by the Bureau.

Enclosure

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BUREAU

URGENT

CP, NY STATE, IS-C. DAYLET. [REDACTED] ADVISED
DECEMBER THIRTEEN LAST THAT CP IS PLANNING TO START A FUND DRIVE
IN JANUARY NINETEEN FIFTY-TWO. INFORMANT STATED CP IS IN MIDST
OF REREGISTERING MEMBERS, AND ANY MEMBER WHO WILL NOT REREGISTER b7D
OR WHO GIVES ANY TROUBLE IN REREGISTRATION WILL BE REPORTED TO
HIS COUNTY MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR WHO IN TURN WILL TAKE UP INCIDENT
WITH THE STATE ORGANIZATION. [REDACTED] FURTHER
REPORTED THAT CP IS PREPARING TO LAUNCH A RECRUITING DRIVE IN
NY AND WILL ATTEMPT TO SEEK NEW MEMBERS FROM THE RANKS OF THE
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TO Director, FBI
Att: Central Research Desk
FROM SAC, New York

DATE: December 28, 1951

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
EVIDENCE OF DISRUPTION AS A
RESULT OF SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS
SECURITY MATTER - C

Re SAC Letter Q, Series 1951, dated 11/21/51.

In accordance with the suggestions contained in the questionnaire enclosed with relet, there are contained hereinafter facts, material, examples and illustrations indicating the nature and extent of disruption caused the Communist Party, USA in the New York Division by security investigations through a comparison of Communist activities of 1945 with those of 1951.

cc: 100-26603 (New York State CP)
100-87235 (Central Research Matters)
100-80641 (CP Organization)
100-80638 (CP Membership) ✓
100-74560 (CP Funds)
100-80633 (CP Education)
100-94031 (CP Infiltration of Education)
100-81675 (CP Pamphlets and Publications)
100-79717 (CP Political Activities)
100-81338 (CP Security Measures)
100-13282 (CP Fronts)
100-89590 (CP Strategy in Industry)
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ORGANIZATION

I(A) National, District, State, County, and Sectional
Headquarters of the Communist Party operating
in the New York Division in 1945:

National	1
New York State (District #2)	1
New York County (Manhattan)	16
Kings County (Brooklyn)	20
Bronx County	11
Queens County	6
Richmond County (Staten Island)	1
Nassau-Suffolk Counties	1
Tri-County Section (Putnam, Rockland and Westchester Counties)	1
Mid-Hudson Section (Columbia, Dutchess, Greene, Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster Counties)	1
Total National	1
Total State (District #2)	1
Total County & Section	<u>59</u>
Grand Total	61

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Known 1945 addresses of aforementioned headquarters:

National
9th floor
35 East 12th Street
Manhattan

New York State (District #2)
5th floor
35 East 12th Street
Manhattan

New York County (Manhattan)
3rd floor
35 East 12th Street
Manhattan

New York County Sections
73 West 99th Street
154 Clinton Street
171 East 116th Street
200 West 135th Street
201 2nd Avenue
201 West 72nd Street
269 West 25th Street
273 Bleecker Street
324 2nd Avenue
350 East 81st Street
362 Audubon Avenue
430 6th Avenue
493 West 145th Street
1549 Madison Avenue
2744 Broadway

Kings County (Brooklyn)
Room 1904
26 Court Street

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Kings County Sections

8 Monument Walk
190 Tompkins Avenue
260 Fulton Street
288 South 4th Street
289 Utica Street
305 Church Avenue
375 Saratoga Avenue
648 Watkins Street
806 Sutter Avenue
848 Flatbush Avenue
1188 President Street
1212 Kings Highway
1239 Atlantic Avenue
2166 86th Street
3200 Coney Island Avenue
3228 Mermaid Avenue
4903 12th Avenue
5306 4th Avenue
7309 20th Avenue

Bronx County

Room 1
125 East 170th Street

Bronx County Sections

1 East 167th Street
1 East Fordham Road
9 West Burnside Avenue
20 East Kingsbridge Road
807 East Tremont Avenue
891 Freeman Street
1301 Boston Road
1590 Westchester Avenue
2700 Olinville Avenue
3092 Hull Avenue

Queens County

Room 1
46-14 Queens Boulevard
Sunnyside

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Queens County Sections

30-47 Steinway Avenue, Astoria
99-12 Northern Boulevard, Corona
107-25 Union Hall Street, Jamaica
1847 Mott Avenue, Far Rockaway
63rd Drive and Saunders Street, Rego Park

Richmond County (Staten Island)

c/o Zekor Antonsen, 840 Morrow Street

Nassau-Suffolk Counties

64 Main Street, Hempstead, Long Island

Tri-County Section

Room 418

53 South Broadway, Yonkers

Mid-Hudson Section

c/o Robert C. Ekins,

162 Parker Avenue, Poughkeepsie

(B) National, District, State, County, Regional, Sectional
Headquarters of the Communist Party operating in the
New York Division in 1951:

National	1
New York State	
(District #2)	1
New York County	
(Manhattan)	1
Kings County (Brooklyn)	1
Bronx County	1
Queens County	1
Totals	
National	1
State (District #2)	1
Counties	<u>4</u>
Grand Total	6

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(Note: In connection with the 1951 organizational set-up in the New York Division, it is impossible to estimate the total number of regions and sections operating within the aforementioned counties for the reason that such units now appear to exist in name only and occupy no physical headquarters).

Known 1951 addresses of aforementioned headquarters:

National
2nd floor
29 West 125th Street
Manhattan

New York State (District #2)
2nd, 3rd and 4th floors
268 7th Avenue, Manhattan

New York County (Manhattan)
73 West 99th Street
Manhattan

Kings County (Brooklyn)
1239 Atlantic Avenue

Bronx County
9 West Burnside Avenue

Queens County
2nd floor
46-14 Queens Boulevard, Sunnyside

II. Communist Party Clubs operating in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Approximately 400
- (B) 1951: Indeterminable number

(Note: Since the adverse decision of the United States Supreme Court on June 4, 1951 upholding the convictions of the eleven Communist leaders under the Smith Act, and the

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subsequent arrest of seventeen additional Communist leaders in New York on June 20, 1951, the size of Communist Party clubs has been drastically reduced and Party clubs (actually groups) now generally consist of 3-8 members in the New York Division. The total number of such clubs (or groups) is impossible to estimate inasmuch as these groups meet in the homes of individual members and they occupy no physical headquarters).

III. (A) Types of Communist Party clubs operating in the New York Division in 1945:

1. Community club: Comprised of people in given community.
2. Industrial club: A club organized in a particular industrial area and in such basic industries as railroad, longshore, food, maritime, etc.
3. Youth club: Composed of young people.

(B) Types of Communist Party clubs (actually groups) operating in the New York Division in 1951:

1. Community club: Same composition as above.
2. Industrial club: Same composition as above.
3. Shop club: Consists of people organized in a particular shop.
4. Mass organization club: Composed of people from various types of mass organizations such as peace, tenant, PTA, American Labor Party, etc.
5. Negro concentration club: Comprised of negroes.

IV. Communist Party industrial clubs operating in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Roughly 150 in the New York Division and about 400 nationally.
- (B) 1951: Indeterminable for reasons set forth under II (B).

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V. Rooms or offices and telephones used in Communist Party national, district, state, county, sectional, and club headquarters operating in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Approximately 120 rooms and 75 telephones.
- (B) 1951: Approximately 33 rooms and 15 telephones.

VI. Automobiles owned by Communist Party in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: 5 (estimated)
- (B) 1951: 4 (estimated)

VII. Communist Party departments, commissions, committees, and bureaus operating in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Approximately 80 (including 14 national).
- (B) 1951: Approximately 25 (including 6 national).

VIII. Paid Communist Party officials, functionaries, organizers, teachers, office workers, technicians, etc. in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Approximately 100 (including 30 national).
- (B) 1951: Approximately 25 (including 12 national).

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MEMBERSHIP

I. Active membership of Communist Party in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Approximately 22,500 (52,800 nationally)
- (B) 1951: Roughly 14,000

II. Known Communists employed in basic industries in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Roughly 2,900
- (B) 1951: Roughly 800

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FUNDS

I. Extent of Communist Party funds in the New York Division:

(A) 1945: Cash available to Communist Party, USA
(National Office): \$205,083.22

Cash available to Communist Party, USA
(District #2): \$693,958.12

(B) 1951: Cash available to Communist Party, USA
(National Office): \$428,330.91

Cash available to Communist Party, USA
(District #2): \$461,041.43

II. "Party angels" helping to finance the Communist Party
in the New York Division:

(A) 1945:



LEMENT UPHAM HARRIS
JULIUS HEITMAN
ABRAHAM AARON HELLER

CORLISS LAMONT

(through control of Robert
Marshall Foundation and related trusts)

SAMUEL J. NOVICK

(B) 1951:



LEMENT UPHAM HARRIS
CORLISS LAMONT

(through control of Robert
Marshall Foundation and related trusts)

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III. Value of property owned by Communist Party in New York Division:

In 1945 and 1951 the only property owned by the Communist Party, USA was and is owned by the 12th-13th Realty Corporation, which is actually a "dummy" corporation of the Communist Party, USA. This property consists of a nine-story building at 35 East 12th Street, New York City which, until recently, housed offices of the Communist Party, USA, New York State Communist Party, and New York County Communist Party. The building still houses the "Daily Worker" and "Morning Freiheit".

The above-described property was purchased for \$135,000 on July 31, 1942 and its assessed value as of May 31, 1951 was \$215,000 (including \$51,000 assessment on the land). The unpaid balance of the mortgage on this property as of November 30, 1951 is estimated at \$86,100.

The New York State Communist Party is not known to own any property, nor are any of the county organizations in the New York Division.

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EDUCATION

Communist Party schools operating in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Data unavailable
- (B) 1951: Data unavailable

(Note: An estimated minimum total of several dozen on a state, county, regional, sectional, club, and membership level are believed to have been held to date in 1951).

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SUMMER CAMPS

Known Communist Party summer camps operating in the New York Division:

(A) 1945: 3

Briehl's Farm, Route 1, Tillson Lane Road,
Wallkill, New York

Camp Unity (aka Lake Ellis Camp), Wingdale, New York

Camp Beacon (formerly known as Camp Nitgdaiget),
Beacon, New York

(B) 1951: 2

Briehl's Farm
Camp Unity

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PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS

I. Publishing houses controlled by or serving exclusively the Communist Party in the New York Division:

(A) 1945: 2

New Century Publishers, 832 Broadway, New York City
International Publishers, 381 4th Avenue, New York City

(B) 1951: 3

New Century Publishers
International Publishers
Fairplay Publishers, 165 Broadway, New York City

II. Non-Communist publishing houses in the New York Division cooperating with the Communist Party and publishing books of known Communists:

(A) 1945: 2

Boni and Gaer, 133 West 44th Street, New York City
Duell, Sloan & Pierce, 270 Madison Avenue, New York

(B) 1951: 2

Duell, Sloan & Pierce
Citadel Press, 120 East 25th Street, New York City

III. Propaganda outlets other than book stores operating in the New York Division:

(A) 1945: 3

Wholesale Book Company, 50 East 13th Street,
New York City.
Bookfind Club, 410 Lexington Avenue, New York City
Camp Beacon, Beacon, New York

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(B) 1951: 2

Bookfind Club
Liberty Book Club, 1123 Broadway, New York City

IV. Communist book stores operating in the New York Division:

(A) 1945: 4

Workers Bookshop, 50 East 13th Street, New York City.
Jefferson Bookshop, 575 Avenue of the Americas,
New York City.
Bookfair, 133 West 44th Street, New York City.
Ben Davis Bookshop, 2315 7th Avenue, New York City.

(B) 1951: 3

Workers Bookshop
Jefferson Bookshop
Bookfair

V. Identifiable Communist books and pamphlets written by
American Communists in the New York Division:

(A) 1945: 9 books and 16 pamphlets

(B) 1951: 12 books and 34 pamphlets

VI. Identifiable Communist books and pamphlets of American
origin sold or distributed in the New York Division:

(A) 1945: Pamphlets - Roughly 900,000 in the New York
Division and 1,500,000 nationally,
Books - Indeterminable

(B) 1951: Pamphlets - Roughly 300,000
Books - Indeterminable

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VII. Identifiable Communist publications issued in the
New York Division:

- (A) 1945: 9 dailies, 7 weeklies, 11 monthlies,
3 quarterlies.
- (B) 1951: 9 dailies, 4 weeklies, 14 monthlies,
4 quarterlies.

These are identified as follows, although it should be noted that the figure set forth is the national circulation; about 66% of this figure would originate in the New York Division.

Dailies

"China Daily News", 105 Mott Street, New York City.

Circulation: 1945 - 10,000; 1951 - 5,000.

(Chinese language newspaper which presents Communist Party line)

"Daily Worker", published by Publishers New Press, Inc.,
50 East 13th Street, New York City.

Circulation: 1945 - 22,220; 1951 - 13,212.

Editions: 1945 - 2; 1951 - 2

(Actually official Communist Party newspaper),

"Laisve", 110-06 Atlantic Avenue, Richmond Hill, Long Island.

Circulation for 1945 and 1951 not available.

(Lithuanian language publication that contains Party line).

"Lraper", 40 East 12th Street, New York City.

Circulation for 1945 and 1951 not available.

(Armenian language newspaper giving Party line).

"Magyar Jovo", 130 East 16th Street, New York City.

Circulation for 1945 not available; 1951 - 5,832.

(Hungarian language newspaper setting forth CP line).

"Morning Freiheit", 35 East 12th Street, New York City.

Circulation for 1945 not available; 1951 - 14,600 daily.

(Yiddish Communist newspaper which presents Party line).

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"Russky Golos", 130 East 16th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - 32,000; 1951 - 15,751.
(Russian language paper giving Party line).

"Tiesa", 110-06 Atlantic Avenue, Richmond Hill, Long Island.
Circulation: 1945 not available; 1951 - 5,016.
(Lithuanian language newspaper containing CP line).

"Ukrainian Daily News", 85 East 4th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - not available; 1951 - 6,500.
(Ukrainian language newspaper giving Party line).

Weeklies

"Armenian Tribune", Lraper Publishing Company, 40 East
12th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 not available; 1951 - 1,150.
(English language newspaper for Armenians which presents
Party line).

"Greek American Tribune", 132 West 14th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 not available; 1951 - 4,500.
(Greek language newspaper containing Party line).

"In Fact", 25 Astor Place, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - 130,000 weekly; 1951 - defunct.
(Weekly newsletter encouraged by Party until GEORGE SELDES,
its editor, sided with [] when Party support was with-
drawn. Publication then suspended).

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"Peoples Voice", 210 West 125th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - 25,000 weekly; 1951 - Defunct.
(During its existence this paper was generally regarded as
negro Communist weekly),

"Uus Ilm", 126 East 120th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - 500 weekly; 1951 - 500 weekly.
(Estonian language paper presenting Communist viewpoint).

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"The Worker", 50 East 13th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - Approximately 75,000; 1951 - 43,937.
(Sunday edition of "Daily Worker").
Editions: 1945 - 2; 1951 - 6.

Monthlies

"Amerasia", 225 Fifth Avenue, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - 2,117; 1951 - Defunct.
(Gave Party line on Far East).

"Challenge", Room 809, 673 Broadway, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - Not in existence; 1951 - Not available.
(Official publication of Labor Youth League, successor to
American Youth for Democracy and Young Communist League.
Presents Party line for youth).

"Congress View", 307 Lenox Avenue, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - 3,000 monthly; 1951 - Defunct.
(Publication of National Negro Congress which set forth
Party line among negroes).

"Facts for Farmers", 39 Cortlandt Street, New York City.
Circulation for 1945 and 1951 not available.
(Contains Communist line on agriculture through Farm
Research, Inc., its publisher).

"Far East Spotlight", Room 331, 80 East 11th Street, New York.
Circulation: 1945 - not in existence; 1951 - not available.
(Publication of Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern
Policy, a Communist front).

"Fraternal Outlook", 80 Fifth Avenue, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - 160,000; 1951 - Defunct.
(Official publication of International Workers Order, a
Communist front.)

"Freedom", 53 West 125th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - not in existence; 1951 - not available.
(Published by Freedom Associates, a negro front organization).

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"German-American", 130 East 16th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - not available; 1951 - 3,000.
(German language paper setting forth Party line).

"Lamp", 23 West 26th Street, New York City.
Circulation: for 1945 and 1951 not available.
(Official publication of American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born, a Communist front),

"Link", Room 509, 35 East 12th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - not in existence; 1951 - not available.
(Publication issued by Railroad Commission, New York State CP).

"L'Unita del Popolo", 13 Astor Place, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - not available; as of February 1951 it was 3,500 weekly but since made a monthly circulation not available.
(Italian language publication containing Party line).

"Jewish Life", 35 East 12th Street, New York City.
Circulation for 1945 and 1951 not available.
(Published by Morning Freiheit Association in English which presents Party line.

"March of Labor", 799 Broadway, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - not in existence; 1951 - not available.
(Publication giving Party line in labor matters).

"Masses and Mainstream", 832 Broadway, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - not in existence; 1951 - 8,500.
(Marxist cultural monthly).

"New Africa", 23 West 26th Street, New York City.
Circulation for 1945 and 1951 not available.
(Issued by Council on African Affairs, a negro Communist front).

"New Masses", 104 East 9th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - 15,390; 1951 - Defunct.
(Cultural magazine which became "Masses and Mainstream").

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"New World Review", 114 East 32nd Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - not in existence; 1951 - not available.
(Succeeded "Soviet Russia Today", in extolling USSR).

"Political Affairs", 832 Broadway, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - 19,860; 1951 - 12,000.
(Monthly publication issued by Communist Party).

"Soviet Russia Today", 114 East 32nd Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - 150,000; 1951 - Defunct.
(Now called "New World Review").

Quarterlies

"Armenian Affairs", 144 East 24th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 and 1951 not available.
(Armenian language publication giving cultural line of CP).

"New Foundations", 575 Sixth Avenue, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 - not in existence; 1951 - not available.
(Marxist youth publication setting forth Party cultural line).

"Science and Society", 30 East 20th Street, New York City.
Circulation: 1945 and 1951 not available.
(Publication devoted to expounding scientific Marxist concepts).

"Sviesa", 110-12 Atlantic Avenue, Richmond Hill, Long Island.
Circulation for 1945 and 1951 not available.
(Lithuanian language publication presenting Party cultural line).

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ORGANIZED ACTIVITIES

I. Organized activities conducted by the Communist Party
in the New York Division:

	<u>1945</u>	<u>1951</u>
Foreign affairs	54	3
National and state politics	20	3
Labor	20	7
Racial minorities	26	6
Youth, students and veterans	16	3
Women	3	2
Cultural	<u>26</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	165	25

(Note: These figures are necessarily incomplete but they do tend to show the ratio of Communist Party organized activities in 1951 with those of 1945).

II. Important public meetings held by Communist Party
in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: 9 (attendance figures unavailable)
- (B) 1951: 1 (3,000 estimated attendance)

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POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

I. Numerical voting strength of the Communist Party in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Roughly 125,000
- (B) 1951: Roughly 55,000

II. Number of Communists to seek public office (local, county, state or federal) in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: 2
- (B) 1951: 0

III. Number of known Communists on city councils in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: 2 on New York City Council
- (B) 1951: 0

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SECURITY MEASURES

I. Communist Party Security Measures In Effect In The New York Field Division:

(A) 1945: The conduct of the officials and members of the Communist Party in 1945 reflects that they were apparently indifferent to the security precautions exercised by the Communist Party at the present time.

MEMBERSHIP RECORDS

Records of the rank and file members were maintained in the various Communist Party County headquarters. These records reflected the occupation and union affiliation of the members. In addition, file cards were maintained by the clubs and revealed each club member's name, address, sex, color, occupation, union affiliation and Party number.

MEETINGS

Mass meetings attended by large segments of the membership were frequent. In February, 1945 the New York State Committee CPA scheduled a series of mass meetings for March and April for the purpose of mobilizing the membership for approaching elections.

For a dinner in honor of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and ELLA REEVE BLOOR on March 11, 1945, each club was required to have its members attend and all members of the National Committee CPA were to be present.

On June 4, 1945 Manhattan Center, New York City, was filled beyond capacity with Party members attending a mass rally to hear EARL BROWDER speak on the San Francisco Conference. Approximately 15 newspaper reporters were seated at the press table at this rally.

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Membership meetings were also attended by many comrades. A membership meeting of the Queens County Communist Party held November 20, 1945 was attended by approximately 450 members. Membership meeting in Bronx, New York, on November 27, 1945 was attended by over 1,500 Communists. At this meeting between 8:00 and 9:00 P. M. club secretaries and organizers registered and issued new membership books to 470 Party members.

On December 11, 1945 a county-wide membership meeting called by the New York County Committee Communist Party was attended by approximately 1,500 members.

Open air street meetings were routine. Some were small neighborhood gatherings; others were attended in great numbers. On November 9, 1945 a rally under the auspices of the Communist Party USA was held at Union Square, New York City, at which approximately 3,000 persons were present. At this rally, Communist Party leaders on all levels were speakers. The New York State Committee Communist Party issued a directive to all clubs urging that the entire membership be mobilized to participate in a demonstration at Times Square, New York City, on December 8, 1945.

Many of the meetings of the type described above were publicized in the "Daily Worker".

RECRUITING AND REGISTRATION

Emphasis was placed on recruiting. Prospective recruits were invited to attend membership meetings. The Party's clubs were required to meet a predetermined quota of new members by a specified deadline.

In March, 1945 the New York County CPA Headquarters directed that recruits must be obtained in the

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trade unions and that the CPA members must act openly as Communists within the trade union.

On May 8, 1945 a special meeting of the New York State Committee CPA at Manhattan Center, New York City, was attended by about 800 Party members. At this meeting, ushers distributed pledge cards and the audience was requested to submit names and addresses of prospective CPA recruits.

On November 20, 1945 the Party launched a membership drive to recruit not less than 20,000 new members. In addition, at this time it was the Party's immediate objective to activate and enroll all delinquent members for 1946.

In addition, as may be noted above, at a meeting on November 27, 1945 470 Party members were registered and issued new membership books in one hour.

THE "DAILY WORKER"

Articles identified the Party functionaries and carried their photographs. Group photographs identifying comrades who had engaged in some special Party activity were frequent. Party clubs were also identified both as to names and addresses and total membership. Individual members were outstanding in obtaining recruits or "Daily Worker" subscriptions were names and described as members of Particular Party branches. Mass meetings, membership meetings and street meetings were publicized in the Communist press.

USE OF TELEPHONES

The membership generally in telephone conversations revealed names, addresses and phone numbers of Party members; places and times of meetings, including identities of members scheduled to attend; names and addresses of

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Party clubs identifying officers thereof; programs of action to be taken by various Party commissions and committees; club membership figures; identities of Party employees; disciplinary matters; financial matters; and the Party's connections with various union officials.

(B) 1951: At the present time officials and members of the Communist Party observe and practice every possible and conceivable precaution and measure to insure security for the Party and its members.

REGISTRATION AND VERIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Today the Communist Party is extremely concerned as to the loyalty to the CP of both its rank and file members and its leaders. All members have been warned to be alert for FBI informers. The CP has established its own loyalty boards to check on the membership at all levels. Insistence on Party loyalty at all times is part of a program to weed out undesirables and to establish a closely knit organization of well disciplined and dependable comrades.

The Communist Party issued a statement on June 21, 1951 setting June 4, 1951 as the date when CP members ceased to be members unless approved by appropriate CP committees on or before August 8, 1951.

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This has been interpreted to mean that the Communist Party was endeavoring to tighten the Party's organizational apparatus by invoking stricter membership requirements; to purge itself of disloyal, doubtful, undesirable and weakhearted members; and to provide an alibi for CP members to plead that they are not members since they had not been approved by appropriate committees by August 8, 1951.

In August, 1951 there was a written verification of the Party leadership which was concealed from the rank and file comrades. Copies were distributed to Party leaders in which questions were asked concerning their background, relatives associates, military service, arrests, health, personal habits, CP schools attended, foreign travel, CP positions held, suspicions of other comrades, any contacts with expelled members, etc.

RECORDS

At the present time it would appear that the maintenance of membership records has been practically discontinued. Lists which have been obtained through informants and other sources lack detail and reflect only first names or nicknames. No addresses or other identifying data appear. It is evident that every effort is being made to conceal the Party membership. The exposing of a comrade, although innocently done, is regarded by the Party as a serious matter requiring disciplinary action. Group captains have been instructed to memorize the names and addresses of the comrades in their groups.

There are indications that at the various CP headquarters trash is being burned; that portions of letters, reports, etc., referring to members' names, addresses, telephone numbers and other identifying data, are being torn off and burned or otherwise destroyed and that first names are being used almost exclusively.

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In the Fall of 1951 during the CP Fund Drive, it was decided that only club organizers would keep a record of the members and of the amounts donated and that these records must be destroyed as soon as the fund drive ended. At this time, it was also decided that all individual Party members should destroy any files containing names or telephone numbers of CP members or of those formerly in the Party. Members were instructed that instead of carrying a list of telephone numbers of Party members these numbers should be looked up in the telephone book.

GROUP SYSTEM

At present, a group system now in operation has reduced former large Communist Party clubs to cells composed of three to eight members. A group captain acts as liaison between his group and the next higher level of the Party.

The group captain must be of such caliber that the group will function properly even though for months at a time the group captain may never be contacted by a higher level functionary. The group captain maintains no membership list or such.

CP MEETINGS

The CP issued instructions restricting the selection of meeting places and governing the conduct of the members at CP meetings. Members were warned to watch for surveillances and not to attend any meetings if there was any question of their being followed. Meeting places used in the past on a regular basis and homes of persons in positions of leadership were to be avoided as meeting places. Members were directed that no CP literature should be taken to CP meetings. Functionaries were advised not to attend meetings near the Party headquarters. CP seamen were instructed to remain away from both the Party's offices and meetings.

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MAY DAY, 1951

In April, 1951 the CP decided to have its members march in the May Day Parade with the trade unions and mass organizations. The New York State Committee CP decided to have only about 300 comrades march in the May Day Parade since the Party did not want to expose the membership to the FBI cameras. The 300 to march in the Parade were selected because they were known to the FBI.

"DAILY WORKER"

It has been noted that the Communist Party no longer lists in the "Daily Worker" the names of officers in the CP sections and clubs nor are the CP sections and branches identified in the "Daily Worker".

CP COMMUNICATIONS

Instructions were issued that confidential CP material at the CP Headquarters should not be mailed but should be placed in a sealed envelope until someone called for it. This plan was applicable even to CP material being transmitted outside the New York City area.

In this connection, instructions were issued to certain comrades that letters were no longer to be used as a means of communication. These comrades were instructed to cease using the mails, telephone and telegrams in communicating with one another and that slower but more secure means of communication were advocated. All Party members at the present time are very cautious in conversations over the telephone. They use "double talk" and avoid mentioning names and addresses in their conversations. Some sections have requested their members to use fictitious names when using the telephone and not to reveal any information concerning the Party.

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Functionaries at the various headquarters frequently leave their offices and make phone calls from public telephones.

In the early part of 1951 it was reported that the Party was establishing new systems of couriers and new stations for interchange and dissemination of material.

On September 24, 1951 the Party had its telephones at National Headquarters, 29 West 125th Street, New York City, examined by a qualified technician to determine whether these telephones were tapped.

CP HEADQUARTERS

Information received reflects that no known Party persons are permitted in the CP Headquarters, such as cleaners, painters, etc.; that the locks on the headquarters doors have been changed; and that designated members are responsible for disposing of the trash.

CP UNDERGROUND

It is believed that the establishment and operation of the CP underground apparatus should be included in a consideration of the Party's security measures in effect in 1951. Many of the Party's most competent leaders are in hiding. The rank and file have been instructed to conceal their CP affiliation and to infiltrate mass organizations. These underground members, in following Party discipline, have, in many instances separated from their wives and children and relinquished their regular employment.

Members selected for underground activity are highly trusted by the Party and persons considered to possess political and organizational leadership qualities.

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It has been the plan of the Party that the member selected for underground work should completely change his mannerisms and mode of living. National CP Headquarters directed some of the underground members to alter their personal appearances completely; to take on new identities, assume aliases and obtain new employment. Until their identities are completely changed and their new identities established, these members are to move frequently from hide-out to hide-out.

No Party member was to be utilized in the CP underground without a complete security check for background information. Relatives and friends are factors to be considered in the security check as well as the personal habits of the comrade. Members accepted into the underground apparatus are thereafter subject to periodical checks to determine their value to the movement and their ability to function under strain. Comrades in the underground are to have no direct association with the regular structure of the Party and are subject to the strictest discipline.

SELECTION OF HEADQUARTERS

For a hide-out to be acceptable to the CP the following requirements are necessary:

1. Unquestionable devotion of Party loyalty on the part of the person selected to hide away someone.
2. The person selected is not to be too well known as a CP member or too well known as a Party sympathizer. This person is one whose activity was limited to donations and contributions to the Party funds, etc.

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3. Select an apartment house where there is no doorman or elevator man, preferably a walk-up apartment house of three or four stories.

4. Select a family where both husband's and wife's loyalty and trustworthiness are known to the Party and where there are no children or maid, etc.

5. Select an apartment where there are no articulate neighbors.

6. Select a loyal couple who can accommodate a guest, such as an apartment that may have an extra bedroom or sleeping quarters, etc.

7. Select an apartment where a pay telephone station would be nearby.

8. Select a neighborhood that is familiar or well known to the person residing in the neighborhood so that he can determine from inquiries from friendly neighbors if any inquiries were made, etc.

INFILTRATION OF MASS ORGANIZATIONS

The Communist Party has insisted that every Party member join some mass organization and participate daily in the life of the mass organization, thus gaining the confidence and respect of its members. By so working, it is expected that the Party member will become a leader in the mass organization and be in a position to carry on the work connected with the CP program. It has been pointed out to the members that they cannot openly be known as Communists in mass organizations, particularly with reference to infiltration of the trade union movement the Communist Party's concentration program has stressed

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the necessity for activity designed to gain the confidence of working-class people while not disclosing the CP connections of the members so engaged.

Party members have been told that it was deemed advisable for them to go to work in war plants where they were to "keep their mouths shut on Communism, but speak up on the peace issue". On this matter there can be no club discussion because of a fear of spies in the Communist Party.

SECONDARY LEADERSHIP

In the early part of 1951, information was received that the Communist Party had formed a substitute leadership at all levels in the event that the present leadership was removed as a result of Government arrest. A leading person in each section and in each division was instructed to leave town from Saturday morning until Monday night in each week-end. This action was based on the supposition that any arrest would be made on a week-end.

TACTICS TO AVOID SURVEILLANCES

Information concerning the above-caption is embodied under Item H of SAC Letter Number 91, Series 1951, dated September 8, 1951. This information reflects that the Party members have dyed their hair and in other ways to have changed their physical appearance: To drive in the wrong direction on a one way street; to double back after rounding a corner; to look around constantly while walking; to leave personal articles in sight of agents and then abandon same in trains, hotels and other locations; to leave taxicabs and instruct the cab driver to drive around the block and pick them up again; to use building or

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department store elevators for the purpose of attempting to identify agents by getting on and off the elevators at various floors and scrutinizing persons in the immediate vicinity; to abandon their automobiles in the street; to use rural and wooded areas; to conceal themselves on the floor of a car driven by a second individual, etc.

MISCELLANEOUS

In August, 1951 instructions were issued advising the Communist Party members that in the event the FBI should call at their homes they were not compelled to make any statements nor to permit a search of their premises unless the agents exhibited a search warrant. They were warned not to try to "outsmart" agents by giving evasive or false answers. They were advised not to fraternize with the agents nor accept cigarettes, drinks, etc. They were told that the agents are thoroughly corrupted agents of the class enemy who would stoop to any treacherous and degenerate acts to gain their ends.

The Communist Party has particularly emphasized the necessity of uncovering "stool pigeons" in the Party. It has stressed the principle that the struggle against "enemy infiltration" cannot be viewed as a temporary phenomena. The Party feels that only in this way can it prevent would be "stool pigeons" from entering the ranks and, where they have succeeded in joining the Party, to bring about their earliest detection and elimination.

CP members have been warned to watch out for the activities of expelled members and to isolate them from workers and progressives.

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A Party member in a supervisory position or in charge of membership lists may not consult a psychologist or psychiatrist. An ordinary CP member who wanted psychiatric treatment would be suspended and cut off from all CP contact until the treatment was completed. A member would be expelled from the Party if he went to a psychiatrist not first approved by the Party. The Party does not work favorably upon members taking courses in subjects relating to psychology until the Party has authorized the members to take such courses. Comrades have been requested not to visit or contact Party members who are being checked by the FBI because of past friendship with the missing CP leaders. Relatives of the CP fugitives are not being visited by their Party comrades because these comrades believe that they would then be watched by the Government.

For the most part, checks drawn against the Communist Party bank accounts are drawn to Cash, including checks and wages.

The practice of Communist Party members assuming a Party name is a continuing one. Communist Party functionaries also rent hotel space for meetings using fictitious names or using a name indicative of a social club. Train and plane reservations are also made under fictitious names. Communist Party members have used fictitious names in both obtaining employment and apartments.

II. Party Leaders In The New York Division Permanently Living Away From Their Homes And Families Because Of Security Investigations

(A) 1945: Information indeterminable

(B) 1951: Complete information is not available; however, investigations reveal that at the present time

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there are a minimum of 37 Party members in the New York Division whose whereabouts are unknown.

III. Communist Party Members Dropped From The Party Rolls
For "Security Reasons" OR Suspected Disloyalty

(A) 1945: Information indeterminable

(B) October, 1950 to October, 1951: Information
indeterminable

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FRONTS

Known Communist fronts operating in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Approximately 100
- (B) 1951: Approximately 200

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STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY

I. Communist labor organizers operating in the New York Division:

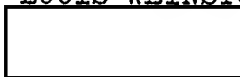
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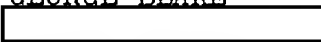
JACK STACHEL

PATRICK TOOHEY
LOUIS WEINSTOCK

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(B) 1951: GEORGE BLAKE



ALBERT LANNON



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II. Labor unions controlled by the Communist Party or infiltrated to the point of being influenced by the Communist Party, and the number of Communist office holders therein:

(A) Communist controlled in whole or in part:

1945: 24

1951: 12

(B) Communist influenced in whole or in part:

1945: 6

1951: 13

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(C) Communist office holders:

1945: 535
1951: 280

A detailed breakdown of the unions listed under A, B, and C follows, but it is impracticable to give the names and titles of the Communist office holders therein. The exact number of Communist office holders for either 1945 or 1951 is indeterminable and the figures set out represent estimates:

American Communications Association, (unaffiliated)

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1945 Communist office holders: 50
1951 Communist office holders: 20

American Newspaper Guild, CIO

1945 Communist status: New York Guild controlled
1951 Communist status: No control or influence
1945 Communist office holders: 6
1951 Communist office holders: 0

Bakery and Confectionary Workers Union, AFL

1945 Communist status: Locals 1, 3 and 164 controlled and several other locals influenced.
1951 Communist status: Only Local 1 influenced.
1945 Communist office holders: 15
1951 Communist office holders: 4

Brewery Workers Joint Board of New York, CIO

1945 Communist status: No control or influence.
1951 Communist status: Influenced. in whole
1945 Communist office holders: 0
1951 Communist office holders: 5

Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paper Hangers of America, AFL

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Local 905 and several other locals influenced.
1945 Communist office holders: 15
1951 Communist office holders: 5

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Cigar Workers Union, AFL

1945 Communist status: Local 144 controlled.
1951 Communist status: Local 144 influenced.
1945 Communist office holders: 4
1951 Communist office holders: 4

Dining Car and Railroad Food Workers Union,
unaffiliated

1945 Communist status: Influenced in whole
1951 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1945 Communist office holders: 4
1951 Communist office holders: 10

Distributive, Processing and Office Workers
of America, unaffiliated

1945 Communist status: Not in existence
1951 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1945 Communist office holders: ---
1951 Communist office holders: 75

Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists
and Technicians, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Merged with UOPWA
1945 Communist office holders: 30
1951 Communist office holders: ---

Food, Tobacco, Agricultural and Allied
Workers Union, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Now merged with DPOWA
1945 Communist office holders: 10
1951 Communist office holders: ---

Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders
International Union, AFL

1945 Communist status: New York Joint Executive Board,
Hotel Trades Council, and several
locals controlled.
1951 Communist status: Only Locals 1 and 89 influenced.
1945 Communist office holders: 45
1951 Communist office holders: 4

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Moving Picture Machine Operators Union, AFL

1945 Communist status: Influenced in part
1951 Communist status: Only Local 306 influenced
1945 Communist office holders: 2
1951 Communist office holders: 1

National Maritime Union, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: No control or influence
1945 Communist office holders: 30
1951 Communist office holders: 0

National Union of Marine Cooks and Stewards,
unaffiliated

1945 Communist status: Controlled in part
1951 Communist status: Influenced in part
1945 Communist office holders: 3
1951 Communist office holders: 1

New York CIO Council

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: No control or influence
1945 Communist office holders: 6
1951 Communist office holders: 0

Newspaper and Mail Deliverers Union of New
York and Vicinity

1945 Communist status: Not known
1951 Communist status: Influenced in part
1945 Communist office holders: Not known
1951 Communist office holders: 2

Radio and Television Directors Guild - Independent

1945 Communist status: Not known
1951 Communist status: Influenced in part
1945 Communist office holders: Not known
1951 Communist office holders: 3

State, County and Municipal Workers Union, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Now merged with UPWA
1945 Communist office holders: 20
1951 Communist office holders: ---

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Transport Workers Union, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole.
1951 Communist status: No control or influence
1945 Communist office holders: 25
1951 Communist office holders: 0

United Automobile Workers Union, CIO

1945 Communist status: Three locals influenced
1951 Communist status: Only Local 259 influenced
1945 Communist office holders: 5
1951 Communist office holders: 2

United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers
of America, unaffiliated

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1945 Communist office holders: 50
1951 Communist office holders: 30

United Federal Workers of America, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Now merged with UPWA
1945 Communist office holders: 15
1951 Communist office holders: ---

United Furniture Workers Union, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Only Local 140 controlled
1945 Communist office holders: 20
1951 Communist office holders: 4

United Gas, Coke and Chemical Workers Union, CIO

1945 Communist status: One local controlled
1951 Communist status: No control or influence
1945 Communist office holders: 1
1951 Communist office holders: 0

United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Now merged with DPOWA
1945 Communist office holders: 35
1951 Communist office holders: ---

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United Packinghouse Workers, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1945 Communist office holders: 12
1951 Communist office holders: 10

United Public Workers of America - unaffiliated

1945 Communist status: Not in existence
1951 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1945 Communist office holders: ---
1951 Communist office holders: 20

Retail, Wholesale and Department Store
Employees of America, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled about eight New York locals.
1951 Communist status: No control or influence
1945 Communist office holders: 50
1951 Communist office holders: 0

United Shoe Workers of America, CIO

1945 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1951 Communist status: Controlled in whole
1945 Communist office holders: 15
1951 Communist office holders: 15

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COMMUNISTS IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Known Communists on faculties of public and private schools of all types (including elementary and secondary schools and colleges and universities) in the New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Roughly 800 (including 100 in colleges and universities).
- (B) 1951: Roughly 400 (including 50 in colleges and universities).

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COMMUNISTS IN MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY

Known Communists in the motion picture industry in the
New York Division:

- (A) 1945: Roughly 250
- (B) 1951: Roughly 25-50

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CONTEMPT CITATIONS

Known Communists in the New York Division cited for contempt
by State or Federal courts:

(A) 1945: 0

(B) 1951: From January 1, 1948 to date in 1951:
15 in Federal Court; none in State Court.

Those cited in Federal Court during this
period were:

GEORGE W. CROCKETT, JR. (resides in
Detroit but cited in New York City)

EUGENE DENNIS

[REDACTED]
JOHN GATES

[REDACTED] (resides in San Francisco
but cited in New York City)

ABNER GREEN

GILBERT GREEN (resided in Chicago but
cited in New York City)

GUS HALL (cited twice)

DASHIELL HAMMETT

WILLIAM ALPHAEUS HUNTON

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (resides in Philadelphia
but cited in New York City)

HARRY SACHER

CARL WINTER (resided in Detroit but cited
in New York City)

HENRY WINSTON

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New York, New York

JAN 4 1952

MEMO

RE: CP, USA - MEMBERSHIP
IS-C

On 12-12-51 [redacted] furnished the writer with a receipt in the amount of \$28.96 dated 11-26-51 which, informant advised, was received from [redacted] Rego CP Section Financial Director for eight members' dues in the CP.

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This receipt is being made an exhibit in file 100-80638.

in exhibit 7-13-52
RICHARD H. BLASSER,
SA

cc: 62-8400 (P&C)

62-80638-385

R. H. Blasser 7/1/52

RHB:JLW
100-80638

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80638)

DATE: January 7, 1952

FROM : SAC, ALBANY (100-9555)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
District No. 2
New York Division
Membership
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

The following is furnished to the New York and Buffalo Offices for use in preparing the quarterly report for the period October 1, 1951 through December 31, 1951.

NORTHEASTERN SUB-DISTRICT

Albany Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advises that he estimates the membership in the Utica-Rome area to be 18.

Albany Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advises that he presently estimates the membership of the Communist Party in the Capital District area, composed of Albany, Troy, and Schenectady, New York; to be approximately 100 members.

WESTERN SUB-DISTRICT

Albany Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised that he estimates the membership of the Communist Party of the Syracuse, New York area to be 50 members.

Albany Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, advised that he estimates the membership of the Communist Party in the Triple Cities area (Binghamton, Johnson City, and Endicott, New York) to be 32 members.

Albany Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, advised that he estimates the membership of the Communist Party in the Spencer, New York area to be 14 members.

Albany Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, advised that he estimates the present membership of the Communist Party at Ithaca, New York to be 30 members.

From the above figures, the total membership of the Communist Party in New York State covered by the Albany Office is 244.

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CC: Buffalo (100-4379)

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The membership in the Albany Division in that portion of the Western Sub-District covered by the Albany Division is 126.

The membership in the Northeastern Sub-District covered by the Albany Division is 118.

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January 7, 1952

INFORMANT PAGE

T-1 is surveillances and investigations conducted by agents of the Albany Division in the Utica-Rome area.

T-2 is surveillances and investigations conducted by agents of the Albany Division in the Capital District area.

T-3 is [] who furnishes information regularly to Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY.

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T-4 is AL 2859-S who furnishes information regularly to Special Agent []

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T-5 is surveillances and investigations conducted by agents of the Ithaca Resident Agency.

T-6 is [] who furnishes information regularly to Special Agent PETER F. MAXSON.

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New York, New York
January 7, 1952

MEMO:

RE: [REDACTED]

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By attached report dated 12/16/51, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] advised that subject re-registered in the
CP on 12/14/51.

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RICHARD H. BLASSER, SA

1 cc NY 62-9662 (P.C.G.)
1 cc NY 100-93665 [REDACTED]
1 cc NY 100-80633 (CPUSA - Membership) ✓

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12/16/51
Long Island City
New York, N.Y.

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I was asked by [redacted] to reregister
[redacted] did at one time live
at [redacted] so of course she belonged to the
Queensbridge Club. Since then [redacted] has moved
to [redacted]
[redacted]

I was asked to go to [redacted] and reregister her
and also arrange for her transfer to a club in her area.
I went over on Friday, December 14, 1951. [redacted]
did reregister in this manner: female, [redacted] work-assembly,
union-United Electrical Workers, race-white. This is all
asked for registration. For the transfer I was given a
dollar bill and made a copy of the numbers on the bill, and
I gave [redacted] a copy of the numbers, for when she is
contacted it will be necessary for her to have these numbers
(S27633923F).

This information was picked up by a woman, Jewish,
named [redacted] that I have seen only once before on
12/15/51.

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TO : SAC, New York (100-80638)
FROM : SAC, Buffalo (100-4379-68)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
DISTRICT NO. 2
MEMBERSHIP
IS - C

DATE: January 9, 1952

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

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Re mylets dated January 4, 1951 and October 6, 1951.

The first referenced letter sets forth counties in the Buffalo Division which comprise the sub-district of the Communist Party for Western New York and also those counties of the sub-district which are in the territory of the Albany Division.

On December 10, 1951, BU-140-S informed SE [] of the Buffalo Office that [] CP member, was discussing new registration plans of CP members in the Buffalo area. According to the informant, [] said they had merely taken a count of the members last year and it was realized that many did not desire to be in the Party. KAPLAN stated the Party believed that now many would definitely be registered.

From an analysis of available CP membership data, it is roughly estimated that there are about 285 Party members in this division. This figure was arrived at in the following manner.

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On January 9, 1952, [] advised SA [] that to date about 65 persons had registered in the CP. The informant said that the Communist Party had a list of 250 names to contact in Buffalo, N.Y. which probably included Lackawanna, N.Y. and they hoped to register approximately 200 of them. From this it appears that they hoped to register approximately 4/5ths of the number on the list.

The first referenced letter discloses that on March 6, 1950, BU-50-S advised SE [] he had received information that same date from [] Secretary-Treasurer of the Monroe County CP, that there were 81 members registered in Rochester as of that time. By applying the same fraction to this figure we arrive at the estimate of 64 members.

On August 24, 1951, [] advised SA GEORGE A. LANKES that there were 10 members in the Communist Party of Jamestown, N.Y.

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On January 4, 1952, [] advised SA LOREN E. BIDWELL that there were 11 members in the Communist Party in the Elmira, N.Y. area.

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cc - Albany (100-9555)

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Letter to New York

January 9, 1952

Re: CP, USA
DISTRICT NO. 2
MEMBERSHIP
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After the registration is completed it is possible that informants of this office may learn the exact CP membership in the territory covered by this division.

The foregoing information is being submitted so that the New York Office will have figures on membership in the Buffalo territory for inclusion in its quarterly report on District No. 2.

New York, New York
January 11, 1952

MEMO

Re: CPUSA MEMBERSHIP
IS - C

By attached report dated 11/26/51 [redacted]
[redacted] advised that the Maspeth CP Club was
registering members and collecting dues for the coming year.

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RICHARD H. BLASSER, SA

cc: 62-8400 (P and C)
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100-75490
100-90237
100-88084
100-89106
100-97886
100-77986
100-97482
100-98144
100-107176
100-82834
100-26603-c148 (MASPETH CP CLUB)
100-26603-c41 (QUEENS COUNTY CP)

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Mon. Nov. 26, '51

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Purpose of my visit was to register for the C.P. and collect C.P. dues.

filled out the C.P. form for himself and his also paid his and his wife's dues through and including Dec. 1951.

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C.P. members of the maspeth club registered as follows, on form as follows. There was no space for names on the form.

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NO.	SEX	NATL. CONPO.	TIME IN PARTY	AGE	OCCUPATION	LOCAL UNION OR INDUSTRY
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The names of C.P. members above do not appear on the form nor the amount of dues each member pays.

I next visited [redacted]

[redacted] stopped paying C.P. dues in Dec. 1950 and refused to register as a C.P. member. He told me that he did not object to [redacted] belonging to the C.P.

I arrived home at 10:05 PM; at 10:10 PM I received phone call from [redacted] asking that I come to the home of [redacted] tonight and turn in record of all C.P. members I had registered along with their dues. I arrived at [redacted] home [redacted] at 10:30 PM where I found [redacted] the section C.P. organizer and [redacted] C.P. section organization secretary waiting to receive report on the registration. Both were glad to hear that all my club members had been registered. The three of us then went to apt. on third fl. same address which is occupied by [redacted] the section financial director to whom I turned over C.P. dues money along with a form which [redacted] had instructed me to make out as follows:

	2.00	1.00	.35	
Sept.	111	11	111	each straight mark means
Oct.	111	11	111	a C.P. club member under
Nov.	111	11	111	amount of dues they pay.
Dec.	111	11	111	No names are turned in
	24.00	8.00	7.35	to [redacted]
		Total	39.35	

[redacted] kept \$28.96 and returned to me for club treasury \$10.39. She gave me a receipt for 28.96 which I am enclosing.

[redacted] stated that they both had to report to the County C.P. station tonight where the registration records along with the dues money are to be turned in.

The C.P. County station location so far has not got down to the club organization level.

As I was leaving [redacted] informed me that [redacted] is very ill and is in the Queens General hospital and it is doubtful if she will be active in a C.P. club for several months.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM No. 1

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 1/18/52	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/26, 27/51; 1/2-18/52	REPORT MADE BY RUSSELL S. GARNER
TITLE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA District No. 2 New York Division			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

QUARTERLY PERIOD - OCTOBER 1
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1951

NY State Office of CP moved in early Oct. 1951 from 35 E. 12 St., NYC, to 268 7th Ave., NYC. All CP offices have now vacated former National and NY State CP Headquarters at 35 E. 12 St., NYC. GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY and SIMON W. GERSON now Administrative Secretary and Executive Secretary, respectively, of NY State CP. CP reported to be functioning efficiently on group level. Membership of District No. 2 estimated to be approximately 14,600 as of 9/30/51. Annual registration of membership begun in Nov. 1951. Usual security measures continue to be observed by CP. Centers for CP underground activity and training alleged to be in Mexico City, Toronto, Virgin Islands and Moscow. Hide-outs being sought for underground members and contact with underground apparatus maintained by courier. All ALP candidates decisively defeated in NYC elections despite all-out aid of CP. Congressional reapportionment bill in NY State Legislature denounced. Strict price control law to combat high prices called for by District No. 2. Fourteen left wing labor leaders at NYC conference in Oct. 1951 agreed to organize mass demonstrations against wage freeze in major cities. Time not considered ripe for Third Labor Organization. Deterioration of "progressive"

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leadership in Distributive, Processing and Office Workers Union deplored by CP. Committee to Defend Lincoln Veterans formed by Veterans of Abraham Lincoln Brigade. Conference on Equal Rights for Negroes in Arts, Sciences and Professions in NYC in Nov. 1951 adopted program to insure integration of negroes in arts, sciences and professions. Fifteen member American Youth Delegation completed three week tour of Soviet Union in Oct. 1951. Campaign launched by American Youth Peace Crusade for quarter million signatures and individual statements for Friendship Book. Women's peace groups in NYC joined in sending Christmas cards to President TRUMAN, demanding end of Korean War and five-power peace pact. "Oliver Twist" assailed as viciously anti-Semitic film and movie "The Desert Fox" protested as glorification of Nazi militarists. "El Yunque", new Puerto Rican monthly newspaper, with [redacted], known Communist, as editor; founded in Dec. 1951 in NYC. Mass prayer vigils for peace held in NYC by Inter-Faith Committee for Peace Action. CP members urged to regularly read such periodicals as "For A Lasting Peace", "Political Affairs", "March of Labor", "Freedom", and "Masses and Mainstream". Principal CP educational activity in NY area centered around Jefferson School of Social Science. Cadre training program emphasizes training of industrial and negro cadres.

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COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
District No. 2
New York Division
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
New York file 100-26603
Period: October 1 - December 31, 1951

MEMBERSHIP

(Bureau file 100-3-68)
(New York file 100-80638)

Membership of District No. 2

Estimated membership of the Communist Party in District No. 2, which comprises New York State, is 14,529.

Estimated membership in the New York Division is 14,000.

Registration of Membership

Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, reported that in late November, 1951, the Communist Party in the New York City area was engaged in the registration of its members, including inactive ones, with the goal of completing such registration by the end of 1951.

Informant said that in registering, the member was given a number on a sheet containing a control number, said sheet having sufficient space for about ten names. On the registration sheet, informant said, such information was to be shown as the registrant's age, sex, race, length of time in Party, and trade union or other mass organization affiliation. According to informant, the name of the registrant was to be known only to the club organizer.

Other questions asked each member on registering, Confidential Informant T-7, of known reliability, reported, were the following: Have you or has anyone in your family ever worked for the FBI, police or any government investigating agency? Do you ever go to a psychiatrist? The informant said that the latter question was apparently based on the belief of the Party that the FBI is closely working with many psychiatrists and thus obtaining information concerning Party business and members through these individuals.

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According to Confidential Informant T-6, any member who would not reregister or who made any trouble during registration was to be reported to his county membership director, who in turn was to take up the incident with the state organization.

According to this informant, the New York State Communist Party was preparing to launch a recruiting drive during 1952 in which it would attempt to seek new members from the ranks of the American Labor Party.

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MEMBERSHIP

(Bureau file 100-3468)
(New York file 100-80638)

Membership of District No. 2 was estimated in the following manner:

Estimated membership in the Albany Division is 244, while in the Buffalo Division, it is estimated there are 285 members in the Communist Party.

The Bureau has advised that as of September 30, 1951, the estimated membership of the Communist Party in the United States, exclusive of District No. 2, was 16,150.

In a document containing membership figures which were apparently membership statistics for all Communist Party districts in the United States, made available by Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, on March 30, 1951, it was found that the membership of District No. 2 was 47.475 per cent of the total national membership, whereas membership of the districts outside District No. 2 was 52.525 per cent of the total national membership.

In the belief that this same ratio of membership prevails currently as formerly, it was computed that there are 14,529 members in District No. 2.

Since, as indicated hereinbefore, there are 529 members in the Albany and Buffalo Divisions, this figure, subtracted from the total of 14,529 New York State membership, gives a total of 14,000 members in the New York Division.

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- T-1 [redacted] who furnished information to SA DALTON L. MAYO. b7D
- T-2 [redacted] who furnished information to SA (A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF.
- T-3 [redacted] New York City, who furnished information to SA (A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF. He requested that his identity be kept confidential.
- T-4 [redacted] Brooklyn, New York; who furnished information to SA (A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF, requesting that his identity be kept confidential. b6 b7C b7D
- T-5 [redacted] Long Island, who furnished information to SA (A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF. He requested that his identity be kept confidential.
- T-6 [redacted] who furnished information to SA RICHARD H. BLASSER. b7D
- T-7 [redacted] who furnished information to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY.
- T-8 Confidential Source NYC 426, who furnished information on:
 September 20, 1951 to SA [redacted] and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.
 October 31, 1951 to SA [redacted] and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.
 December 10, 1951 to SA [redacted] and SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS.
- T-9 NY-693-S

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T-10 Weekly Intelligence Summary of Headquarters, Fifth Army, dated October 18, 1951.

T-11 [] who furnished information to SA FRANK J. SMITH. b7D

T-12 [] who furnished information to SA FRANK R. LONGO.

T-13 [] New York City, who furnished information to SA RUSSELL S. GARNER. b6 b7C

T-14 [] who furnished information to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY.

T-15 [] who furnished information to SA ELDRED W. COX. b7D

T-16 [] who furnished information to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY.

T-17 [] who furnished information to SA RICHARD H. BLASSER.

T-18 NY-515-S.

T-19 [] who furnished information to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY. b6 b7C

T-20 NY-661-S, who furnished information to SE [] on October 19, 1951 and to SE ROBERT E. BRODERICK on October 29, 1951.

T-21 [] New York City, who furnished information to SA ELDRED W. COX.

T-22 [] New York City, who furnished information to SA ELDRED W. COX. b6 b7C

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T-23 [redacted] who furnished information to SA RUSSELL S. GARNER.

T-24 [redacted]
[redacted] who furnished information to former SA WILLIAM J. McCARTHY. b6 b7C

T-25 NY-301-S, who furnished information to SA RICHARD H. BLASSER.

T-26 [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted]
[redacted]

T-27 Confidential Source NYC 425, who furnished information to SA [redacted] and SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS on October 30, 1951 and to SA [redacted] and SE ALBERT E. FALLER on December 18, 1951. b6 b7C b7D

T-28 Misur of Senate Internal Security Committee at Hotel New Yorker, New York City.

T-29 [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted]
[redacted]

T-30 [redacted] Referral/Direct

T-31 [redacted] New York City who furnished information to SA JOSEPH A. CULLEN, [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

T-32 NY-609-S; who furnished information to SA RUSSELL S. GARNER.

T-33 [redacted], who furnished information to SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY. b7D

T-34 [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

T-35 [redacted] who furnished information to SA RICHARD H. BLASSER. b7D

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T-36 NY-659-S b7D

T-37 [redacted] who furnished information to SA (A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF.

T-38 [redacted] Brooklyn, New York, b6
who furnished information to SA [redacted] b7C

T-39 Confidential Source NYC 419.

T-40 [redacted] Brooklyn, New York. b6
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T-41 [redacted]

T-42 [redacted]

T-43 [redacted] b7D

T-44 [redacted]

T-45 [redacted]

T-46 [redacted]

T-47 [redacted] b6
New York, who furnished information to SA VINCENT J. b7C
BURKE.

T-48 [redacted] b7D

T-49 [redacted]

T-50 [redacted] b6
[redacted] Brooklyn, New b7C
York, who furnished information to SA JOHN H. KLEINKAUF. b7D
He requested that his identity be kept confidential.

T-51 [redacted] who furnished
information to SA MARCUS M. BRIGHT. b7D

T-52 [redacted] who furnished
information to SA MARCUS M. BRIGHT.

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ADMINISTRATIVE (Continued)

T-53 Los Angeles LA 2900-S.

T-54 [REDACTED] b7D

T-55 [REDACTED]

T-56 [REDACTED] who furnished information to SA HAROLD V. CATES.

T-57 [REDACTED] who furnished information to SA [REDACTED]

T-58 [REDACTED] New York City, who furnished information to SA RUSSELL S. GARNER, requesting that his identity be kept confidential.

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At New York, New York

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Report of SA RUSSELL S. GARNER, New York, 10/19/51.

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New York file 100-4931
Period: October 1 - December 31, 1951

MEMBERSHIP

(Bureau file 100-3-68)
(New York file 100-80638)

Registration of Membership

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, reported that in late November 1951, the Communist Party in the New York City area was engaged in the registration of its members, including inactive ones, with the goal of completing such registration by the end of 1951.

Informant said that in registering, the member was given a number on a sheet containing a control number, said sheet having sufficient space for about ten names. On the registration sheet, informant said, such information was to be shown as the registrant's age, sex, race, length of time in Party, and trade union or other mass organization affiliation. According to informant, the name of the registrant was to be known only to the club organizer.

Other questions asked each member on registering, Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, reported, were the following: Have you or has anyone in your family ever worked for the FBI, police or any government investigating agency? Do you ever go to a psychiatrist? The informant said that the latter question was apparently based on the belief of the Party that the FBI is closely working with many psychiatrists and thus obtaining information concerning Party business and members through these individuals.

According to Confidential Informant T-4, any member who would not reregister or who made any trouble during registration was to be reported to his county membership director, who in turn was to take up the incident with the state organization.

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- T-2 [redacted] who furnished the information to SA (A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF.
- T-3 [redacted] New York City, who furnished the information to SA (A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF and requested that his name be kept confidential. b6 b7C b7D
- T-4 [redacted] who furnished the information to SA RICHARD H. BLASSER. b7D
- T-5 [redacted] who furnished the information to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY. b7D
- T-6 Weekly intelligence summary of Headquarters, Fifth Army, dated October 18, 1951.
- T-7 [redacted] who furnished information to SA FRANK J. SMITH.
- T-8 Confidential Source NYC 426, who furnished information on the following dates to the individuals listed:
 4/19/51 to SA [redacted] and SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS. b6 b7C
 9/20/51 to SA [redacted] and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.
 10/26/51 to SA [redacted] and SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS.
 10/31/51 to SA [redacted] and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.
 11/2/51 to SA [redacted] and SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS.
 11/14/51 to SA [redacted] and SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS.
 11/30/51 to SA [redacted] and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.
 12/3/51 to SA [redacted] and SE ALBERT E. FALLER.

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T-9 NY-661-S, who furnished information on:
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 10/19/51 to SE [REDACTED] b7C
 10/22/51 to SE [REDACTED]
 10/23/51 to SE ROBERT E. BRODERICK
 10/29/51 to SE ROBERT E. BRODERICK
 10/29/51 to SE [REDACTED]
 10/30/51 to SE [REDACTED]
 11/1/51 to SE [REDACTED]

T-10 [REDACTED] who furnished information to SA FRANK R. LONGO. b7D

T-11 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] Brooklyn, who
 furnished information to SA (A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF.

T-12 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] New York City, who
 furnished information to SA RUSSELL S. GARNER. b6
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T-13 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] New York City, who furnished information to
 SA RUSSELL S. GARNER.

T-14 Confidential Source NYC 301, who furnished information to SA RICHARD H. BLASSER.

T-15 [REDACTED] who furnished information to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY.

T-16 [REDACTED] who furnished information to SA ELDRED W. COX. b7D

T-17 [REDACTED] who furnished information to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY.

T-18 [REDACTED] who furnished information to SA RICHARD H. BLASSER.

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- T-20 [redacted] New York City, who furnished information to SA ELDRED W. COX. [redacted]
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- T-21 [redacted] New York City, who furnished information to SA ELDRED W. COX.
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b7D]
- T-30 Confidential Source NYC 425.
- T-31 [redacted] who furnished information to SA JOSEPH F. DIFFLEY. b7D
- T-32 [redacted] who furnished information to SA RUSSELL M. GWYNNE.

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T-33 [redacted] who furnished information to SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY. b7D

T-34 [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

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T-37 [redacted] who furnished information to SA (A) JOHN H. KLEINKAUF.

T-38 [redacted] Brooklyn, New York, who furnished information to SA [redacted] b6 b7C

T-39 Confidential Source NYC #19.

T-40 [redacted] Brooklyn, New York. b6 b7C

T-41 [redacted]

T-42 [redacted] b7D

T-43 [redacted]

T-44 [redacted]

T-45 [redacted]

T-46 [redacted]

T-47 [redacted] New York, who furnished information to SA VINCENT J. BURKE. b6 b7C

T-48 [redacted] b7D

T-49 [redacted]

T-50 NY-515-S

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ADMINISTRATIVE (Continued)

T-51 [redacted] who furnished information to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY b7D

T-52 [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted] b6
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T-53 Los Angeles LA-2900-S. b7D

T-54 [redacted]

T-55 [redacted]

T-56 [redacted] New York City, b6
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T-57 Misur of Senate Internal Security Committee at Hotel New Yorker, New York City.

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At New York, New York

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REFERENCE

Report of SA RUSSELL S. GARNER, New York, 10/19/51.

January 8, 1952
New York 7, New York

MEMO

RE: CP, USA
District #2, New York Division
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

By attached report, dated 11/19/51, [redacted]
advised of activities in the Queensbridge Communist Party
Club.

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RICHARD H. BLASSER, SA

cc 66-5195 (P&C)
100-93665 [redacted]
100-86341 [redacted]
100-8522 (A.L.P.)
100-85800 (CP, USA MEMBERSHIP) ✓
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Harner PLS

NOVEMBER 19, 1951

The Queensbridge C.P. has not held a meeting for six or seven weeks because it had no leadership.

[] is back working with the club and every one seem confident that some work will be done. The club is now having reregistration which will clear every one thru Dec. 1951.

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[] has called a meeting at [] home tues. nov. 20. The A.L.P. is also having a reregistration.

New York, New York
January 10, 1952

MEMO

RE: CPUSA
District #2, New York Division
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[redacted] by report
dated 11/18/51 advised that a meeting of the Tremont
North Section, Communist Party was held on 11/14/51 at
[redacted] home,

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Copy of informant's report is attached.

JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

CC:NY 62-8363 (P & C)
100-13453 [redacted]
100-81338 (CP,USA-SECURITY MEASURES)
100-101808 [redacted]
100-85294 [redacted]
100-8522 (A.L.P.)
100-88970 [redacted]
100-67838 [redacted]
100-68378 [redacted]
100-80640 (CP,USA-NEGRO CUES.)
100-105990 [redacted]
100-106875 [redacted]
100-85800 (CP,USA-MEMBERSHIP)

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Date of report Nov. 18, 1951

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At a Section Staff meeting, of the Tremont North C.P., held on Wednesday night Nov. 14, at [redacted] house we discussed the following program, registration, group meetings to discuss the 1952 registration dues to be collected through Dec. 1951, letters and telegrams to our representatives in Albany and Washington, to protest the action taken against Negroes in the South especially the Ingram Case.

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Along these lines of protest, we must also visit our neighboring theatres and question them about the film Oliver Twist, and if they intend showing it, to file a personal protest with their downtown office against showing it on the grounds that it is offensive.

Also discussed was the forth coming sub drive, and recruiting drive, and these two drives must be a success.

A meeting of group captains for this Friday, night Nov. 16, was agreed upon in order to brief them on registration. We were to contact them all to insure a good meeting.

Registration was to commence in a week or two and must be completed as soon as possible because of the sub and recruiting drive, therefor it is necessary to have this group captains meeting this Friday and soon after to visit our people to register.

Registration is to follow in the following manner, each captain will receive a special form as follows, with ten numbers denoting ten people, the numbers to start at the bottom of this form, and the number 10 at the top, the reason for this is, when we register a person or two we write the information required opposite the number 1, and then in order not to carry this information around with us we tear it off and turn it in, thus leaving a blank form in our possession at all times. This is to continue until we file all ten names.

The other information required is, opposite the number the Sex, National origin, years in the Party, age, color, kind of work, and if in a union or not, and which one.

It is necessary to have dues paid up through Dec. to register a person, if we do not know how much dues a person owes then we must go back to June 1951, and in this regard we must collect the proper amount of dues from our people, there is a different category 10¢ for unemployed, 35¢ for housewives, \$1.00 for those earning \$30.00 to \$60.00 and \$2.00 for those earning \$60.00 to \$100.00 and five dollars for those earning more. This is very important because in this manner our Party can tell the status of our people and only in this way can our leadership know what the standing of our membership is.

This information and discussion was led by [] and she was very firm in stressing about dues, because it is a Party obligation, at present when records are not kept, to pay our dues every month is a serious duty for us.

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Besides [] the others at this meeting were [] and another elderly woman by the name of []

After registration was discussed thoroughly [] spoke on the sub and recruiting drive, we were surprised to know that the Party was recruiting people into the party, previous to this we were very careful who was recruited and accepted even now we feel the same way, but there are people who are interested enough in our movement to join and fight with us, these we must accept into our ranks.

In connection with registration, there are two most important questions which we must ask of each member, 1, if he or she is at present receiving treatment from a pshyciatrist, not if they were receiving it years ago or will receive it in the future, but now at present, and so we cannot accept them into the Party, because it is removed that the F.B.I. has contacted all Pshyciatrist to

inform them to be on the alert for there people.
2. If he or she is in any way connected with the Police or F.B.I. these naturally cannot be recruited into the Party.

Also in connection with this [] met [] and they discussed the expulsion of [] from the Party because he was now receiving such treatment, and [] wanted to know if he was expelled after a discussion in the Section. This was the case and [] said that he knew it as such.

At this point [] gave a report on the recent A.L.P. vote in this area, saying it was one of the largest voting periods in years, and this gives us an idea about the caliber of the people in this community, this shows that there are many progressive people in this area and for the future it is food for thought to know that in the next election year, the '52 Presidential year we have an important mission to perform for the A.L.P.

The meeting for Friday night was to be held at [] she is a member of our Section, her husband is in [] group, they are very inactive and very seldom attend meetings.

[] told us about a plan which the A.L.P. had in mind, a little boy was killed at 174 St. and Boston Road, and So. Blvd. a three way crossing, to combat this dangerous hazard they are planning a mass demonstration to stop all traffic, on Saturday afternoon to enforce their demands to make this intersection safe for pedestrians, 1, to place the traffic light where it can be better seen and to close 174 St. to all traffic coming north from So. Blvd. and Boston Rd, and 2, to have a policeman stationed here especially during school hours. [] asked those present to contact their different organizations, the woman for peace, the P.T.A. and to ask all mothers to come out on Saturday and attend the demonstration.

The next night Thursday Nov. 15, I called [] [] and asked him to attend this important meeting of group captains which was going to be held on Friday

night, he must attend, and when he said he would I then told him that I would deliver the address to him tomorrow night, because I could not tell him the address over the phone.

I called [] and asked her if she could attend the meeting, but she said that it was impossible to do so, she saw [] today and explained to her why she could not attend.

The following night I visited [] to give him the address of the meeting place, but before I could he told me that he received a call from [] calling off the meeting, she did elaborate two much about it, but something must have developed for her to call it off.

I told [] that after the meeting Wednesday night I walked [] home and she asked me if I could continue going to our concentration area, to distribute the Worker and later if we could to start a delivery route with daily.

I asked [] if we can work together on this, if so, we would start a week from this Sunday together, he agreed to work with me.

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[redacted] was over on 11/29/51 and told me that it had just come to her attention about the television and [redacted] and what were my plans. I told her that I intended to borrow the money from my father and that the amount would be paid the first week in December. That I had not realized that I had displayed an act of white chauvinism and was deeply sorry about the situation that when the bill was paid I expected to self-criticized at a public meeting. [redacted] said well as long as I understood the issue and my plans were accepted, no further comment. I was also told that [redacted] was now acting branch organizer. [redacted] has never been active before since at [redacted]

I was also told that Queensbridge had a 100% membership reregistration; outside of [redacted] who had until recently lived in my building. I had reregistered [redacted] and would I run upstairs and see if she was home. I did so and found from the tenants in that apartment [redacted] had moved to [redacted] in the Ravenswood project. I was asked to go there reregister her and arraign for her transfer with a dollar bill taking the numbers off the dollar and she holding the dollar bill until contacted. I have not as yet done so but will do so on Sat. 12/1/51.

I was told I would be notified of all meetings by [redacted]
[redacted]

New York, N.Y.
JAN 11 1952

MEMO:

RE: CPUSA
Dist. #2, N.Y. Div.
IS - C

By attached report dated 11/30/51, [redacted] advised of
activities of members of the Queensbridge C.C. Club.

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RICHARD H. BLASSER, SA

cc - NY - 62-2662 (P & C)
NY - 100-92665 [redacted]
NY - 100-97460 [redacted]
NY - 100-35009 (CPUSA - membership)
NY - 100-01333 (CPUSA - SECURITY MEASURES)
NY - 100-10162 [redacted]
NY - 100-86341 [redacted]

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Done [initials]

New York, New York
1/25/52

MEMO:

RE: CPUSA MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

By attached report dated 12/2/51 [redacted]
[redacted] advised that several members of the Tremont
CP Section were contacted on this date in the CP regist-
ration drive. Separate memos are being submitted on the
individuals contacted.

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JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

cc: 62-8363 P&C
100-88970 [redacted]
97-169 (Publishers New Press, Inc.)
100-68378 [redacted]
100-13453 [redacted]

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12/2/51

On Sunday morning Dec. 2, I visited the following to register them in the Party for 1952. [redacted]
Sex - male, age - [redacted] National origin - Jewish, length in Party - 15 yrs., occupation - [redacted], Local union - [redacted] Industry - [redacted]
[redacted] Paid dues of \$5.00 through Dec. 1951.

I had a hard time convincing him who I was. he was very cautious but it so happened that I collected ten dollars for the fund drive last year and his wife knew me, his daughter knew me also, so when he was convinced he gave me the above information.

[redacted] and I went into the following houses with the Worker, I bought five copies at a newsstand 1531. 1535 1501 So. Blvd. We sold four in [redacted] and [redacted] have subs. In [redacted] was not at home, she usually buys a paper. In [redacted] we left a paper also.

After our canvassing we visited [redacted] [redacted] to reregister them, we were lucky that they were at home, when I spoke to them about registering [redacted] balked because of the dues, which had accumulated over the months, between him and his wife they owed sixteen dollars. I spoke to him and tried to show him that the most important task of a Party member was to register and to pay his dues faithfully. There are other obligations which we must abide by such as attend meetings, be active during a sub drive, fund drive, contribute to these drives, and other functions which we can perform but the Party insists that each person pay his or her dues regularly each month.

[redacted] reluctantly registered and asked that [redacted] postpone her registration for awhile until he pays all his dues. In this respect he asked me to come on Dec. 18, for some money.

Here is [redacted] registration information.
Sex - male, National origin - Negro, length in Party - 3 yrs., Age [redacted] occupation - [redacted]
[redacted] Bx. Local union - none.

I succeeded in getting [] information as follows: Sex - Female, Age - [] National origin - Negro, length in Party - 3 yrs., occupation, [] union - none.

[] and I stayed awhile and spoke about the problems facing the Party today, the sub drive, the registration, the regular weekly canvassing in this concentration area, the poor attendance at meetings, etc.

We asked them if they could do any thing which would help us in the coming period but [] said that [] was not feeling well and might have to undergo an operation in the near future and until then they would not become too involved.

I told him that I would call him on the phone the next time I came to visit him.

Later in the day I called [] and related to her just what had taken place with all these people, she was very much surprised that [] did not register, but in the near future she would call on them and see what she could do about it.

I asked her if she wanted me to bring her the information I had about these people, but she said it would be better if I brought it direct to [] at her house, but to make sure that I went early because she goes to school on Monday nights.

I told her I would call before going up.

[] asked me to keep this Tuesday night open and also to make sure I read today's or tomorrow's paper, for information concerning a meeting of 49th St.

I told [] that I had a union meeting for this Tuesday night Dec. 4th, but if I could attend this other meeting at the same time I would do my best. In any event I would get in touch with her before then.

I have been calling [] for the past few Sundays, in order to go out canvassing in our concentration area but he was occupied with other matters, this was the first Sunday in three weeks that we went out together, he agrees that we must come out faithfully every Sunday because there are great prospects in this area.

New York, New York
2/1/52

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RE: CPUSA-MEMBERSHIP
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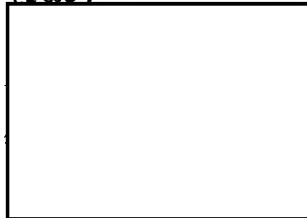
By attached report dated 12/6/51 [] advised
that on that date [] contacted several CP members
in an attempt to get them to re-register in the Party.

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RICHARD H. BLASSER, SA

cc: NY 62-8400
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100-92692
100-90823
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100-98144
100-65073

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SUBJECT COMMUNISM

This evening [] and I drove to the home of [] at his new address, [] Maspeth. The purpose of our visit was to register [] and []

We remained at the [] home 45 minutes, during which time [] was not persuaded to register; his reason was that the condition of the CP in the USA during the present period is that a person now cannot be sure who to trust, also that he has already put in many years of active work for the party and now younger people should take over. Adding that he will still remain loyal and full-fill his financial obligations, but will now be a dues paying member. Adding that later he may change his mind.

[] was told by [] not to register saying that even if they both did register, they still couldn't do any more for the party than they are now doing.

[] gave [] \$5.00, saying that this is a donation and not back dues, at the same time she winked at [] said that she understood.

After leaving the [] home, [] stated that she had no doubt but [] gave the \$5.00 for back dues and wanted to be registered, but did not want to say so in front of her husband, also that we already have all information needed; we should register [] as there is no signature involved. [] was registered.

We next drove to [] where we attempted to see [] told us that [] got married three months ago and is now living in Brooklyn. The sister also told us to forget [] because if her husband ever found out that [] was ever a member of the CP it would break up her home. The sister refused to give us [] address.

We next drove to [] where [] accepted dues and assignments. As [] had a cold, we only remained about 15 minutes. There was no discussion. [] stated that [] has taken over all responsibility for the CP registration and that we could report to him on results of our work tonight.

New York, N. Y.
2/4/52

MEMO:

Re: [REDACTED]
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By attached report dated 12/1/51 [REDACTED] advised
that [REDACTED] was conducting a registration drive for
the CP.

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JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

cc: NY -62-8363 (P & C)
100-85889 (CPUSA - MEMBERSHIP) ✓
100-89796 [REDACTED]
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100-88970
100-101808
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100-97582
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100-26603-G326 (TREMONT SEC.)
100-13453 [REDACTED]

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DATE OF REPORT, 12/1/51.

On Monday night, Nov. 26, I received a phone call from [] asking me to come up to her house because she had something important to tell me. I told her I would be up later.

Later that night I went up to see her and she told me that at the present time the Party was in the midst of a registration drive, and it was important that we as leaders go out and register everyone.

[] asked if I would help out and visit a few people, she gave me the following people to see, [] I was to collect dues from last April if they do not remember when they paid last, and it was to go through Dec.

[] asked me to call [] right away and ask him to visit his people before Wednesday, because by then we are to have 75% of our registration complete. I am to tell him that on Wednesday night at [] house there is going to be a special meeting to discuss registration entirely, and he must come without fail.

I called [] he answered the phone and I explained the situation to him. He understood the conversation and promised to be at the meeting on Wednesday night.

I was given a complete form of questions by [] which I was to ask those people who registered, because I did not receive a regular registration blank.

I did not get a chance to go out and see these people until Friday night Nov. 30. I then visited [] and I registered him as follows: Sex: Male; Age: [] National Origin: Jewish; Length in Party: 20 yrs; Occupation: []; Local Union: [] Industry: []

On this registration blank there is no name, number or any other form of identification. Concerning his dues, he did not remember when he paid last so we concluded that he would see [] at the A.L.P. and give him whatever he owes.

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I then visited [] he was out but his daughter was in and I told her I would be back on Sunday morning. She asked me to call before coming so I would surely get him in.

I called [] right after visiting [] and told her what happened. She then asked me if I would visit a few more people. [] I knew where they lived, it was in the same neighborhood, so I told her I would visit them and then let her know by phone how I made out.

[]
They were not at home.

[] She was at home and talked with her for three quarters of an hour, but failed to register her, because she cannot fulfill her obligations to the Party according to her desires.

She is a [] and receives very low wages, (about \$35. per week), Her husband does not contribute to her support or to the support of the house. He gambles all his money away, therefore it is a burden on her shoulders. She is besieged by many worth while Charties, Polio, T.B. etc. The many subscriptions to the Worker, Daily and Sunday, The Guardian, the A.L.P., etc.

It is mainly for this reason that she does not want to register. She understands the need for a strong Party, and she agreed with everything I said concerning the brutality against the Negro people, the jailings of leaders such as [] of the C.R.C. and for the fight against high rents and the high cost of living, etc. But even with all these she still does not see her way clear to re-register. I told her I would report back to [] [] who would surely pay her a visit.

When I got downstairs I called [] on the phone and told her just what happened. She told me that she would go and visit [] some night, because [] would try and convince her on many things and probably make some arrangements to collect her dues.

I also told [] that I was going out with [] on Sunday morning. I would also see [] and I would then call her back and let her know how I make out.

New York, N.Y.
February 18, 1952

MEMO:

RE: CP, USA-MEMBERSHIP
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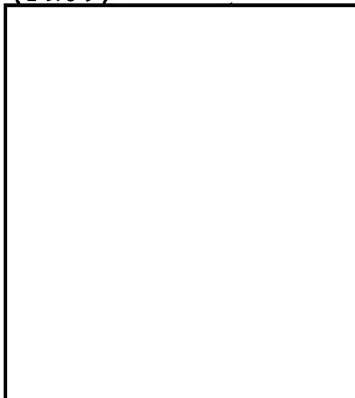
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RICHARD H. BLASSER, SA

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NY 100-65073
NY 100-90653
NY 100-92366
NY 100-77986
NY 100-97886
NY 100-92800
NY 100-90823
NY 100-64866
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This evening [redacted] and I visited [redacted]
[redacted] at his place of business, which is [redacted]
[redacted]
uses the name of [redacted] in the C.P. he recently
purchased the home where he lives, [redacted],
Ridgewood.

Purpose of visit was to persuade [redacted]
to register his wife [redacted] for the C.P. [redacted]
[redacted] has not paid C.P. dues since Dec., 1950.

[redacted] stated that he would not have anything to do
with getting his wife back into the C.P. because she is
not able to attend meetings or do any C.P. work at all,
also that if we wanted his wife back in the C.P. someone
else would have to talk to her.

It was decided to have [redacted] visit [redacted]
[redacted] after New Year's.

[redacted] stated that he would prepare the spaghetti
and meat balls for the dinner which the Maspeth C.P.
section is holding at the [redacted]
[redacted] on Sat. evening Jan. 12th, 52.

After leaving [redacted] at 8:20 P.M. [redacted] and I sat
in his car and discussed several C.P. members who have re-
cently moved out of the Maspeth section.

[redacted] who has moved to Manhattan is to be
registered by [redacted] who is a
buyer for a store in Manhattan, was C.P. organizer in the
Maspeth section, her husband [redacted] who is a
public school teacher is also a C.P. member assigned to
activity in teacher's union.

[redacted]
[redacted] who formerly lived at [redacted]
and where C.P. classes were held each Wednesday from
April 4th to Wed. June 20th, 1951. [redacted] the instructor,

has moved. [] in discussing [] referred to her as [] her husband is [] and their new phone No. is [] stated that [] would have to be registered by []

[] also stated that [] our C.P. section organizer has fallen down on the job and that he [] has to do [] and his own C.P. work and that its to be too much for him. [] who has also moved from Astoria to Bayside gave me his new home phone No. which is []